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IT WAS A THUMBS UP NIGHT-The members of the Class of 2015 got their diplomas at Friday's Telstar High School graduation. Above, valedictorian Travis Wheeler (left), who gave his speech with a little help from his twin brother, Zac. Right, Shelby Levesque gives the thumbs up sign after receiving her diploma. More photos, pages 13-16

(A. Aloisio)



Humor, sentiment mark THS graduation

By ALISON ALOISIO

The 50 members of the Telstar Regional High School Class of 2015 shared memories, hopes and advice as they received their diplomas Friday.

After the playing of "Pomp and Circumstance" by pianist Tom Coolidge, Principal Ann Bell opened

the ceremony and class members Aislinn Forbes and Nick Johnson sang the National Anthem.

Retired sixth-grade teachers Wayne Howe and Lenny Hoy were invited by the class as guest speakers, because the class was the teachers' last before retirement.

Hoy told the members that while well-meaning people sometimes give the advice to "get over yourself" because "real life is not always going to be tying itself in knots trying to be all about you ... tonight, at this moment, life is most appropriately and entirely all about you."

He advised them to now "deliberately decide to get into yourselves, to make something wonderful of the blank canvas life has given you."

Hoy spoke while wearing a shirt that had been signed by the class members and given to him as

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Bethel voters OK budget, turn down ordinance change

By ALISON ALOISIO

Bethel voters last week approved all the money articles on the Town Meeting warrant, but soundly defeated a proposal that would have made building design requirements on commercial buildings more specific.

The municipal expenditure budget totals \$3.7 million.

While the money articles passed, several first drew debate and amendments.

Voters approved \$10,000 to support the Mountain Explorer bus service, but not before debating an amendment to cut that amount in half.

They also considered an amendment to cut \$48,000 for trash compactors and other improvements at the Tri-Town Transfer Station.

Also up for debate was a proposed amendment to take \$250,000 from the town's undesignated fund balance account to lower

taxes.

Ordinance

The proposed change to the site plan ordinance would have added to the existing general wording that reads in part "structures shall be related harmoniously to the terrain and to existing buildings in the vicinity ..."

The addition would have said that the building's architecture "shall reflect traditional New England building forms including, but not limited to, pitched roofs, dormers, porches and window and the appearance of clapboard, shingle or brick siding..."

The Planning Board proposed the changes.

They did not sit well with some residents.

Former Planning Board member Al Cressy said he foresaw a conflict with the architecture of a commercial building. I think it would get us into a mess.

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New THS coach, new cohesiveness:

Local football hopes to boost numbers

By ALISON ALOISIO

A new high school football coach and more cooperation between the THS and youth football teams highlight changes on the

local football scene this year.

The Telstar Football Boosters hope the changes and a recruitment push will translate to larger

numbers of players participating.

At THS, former Dirigo High School coach Lou Brann is expected to take over the team from the re-

tiring Tim O'Connor, who has coached since the program was revived nine years ago.

"We need to get more kids involved," Brann said, "We're working on school spirit."

He also noted that today sports must compete with technology-based games.

At the younger levels, there will be a change in team names and uniforms. Until now, the youth teams have been called the Woodstock Wolfpack and the Greenwood Spartans.

But starting this year the entire youth program

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MOOSE FESTIVAL COMES TO BETHEL-A large crowd gathered on the Common for the Moose Festival and Lottery Saturday. Here, a vendor arranges items as a deer and moose stand watch. More photos, pages 10-11.

(A. Aloisio)

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Letters

BICYCLING IN THE AREA

To the Editor:

First a constructive suggestion: If signage is necessary, I suggest something positive that covers all types of users of the road. A sign that had "Share the Road" across the top and "Know the Rules" across the bottom with pictures of a car, motorcyclist, bicyclist, and pedestrian in the middle – or just "Share the Road" with these pictures would remind everyone that there are many different road users.

I am a bicyclist but have not bicycled much in this area. I have noticed that bicycling has taken off here, and with the varied terrain there are great climbs, 40 or 50 mile day loops, etc. that make this area very attractive for avid bicyclists. Bicyclists spend a lot of money on bikes, specialized clothing, packs, etc., and so tend to have money to spend on food, lodging, and equipment: if I were a business person in the area I would look at the growing number of bicyclists as customers rather than nuisances.

In that regard, I found the nature of the complaints about bicyclists that arose at Bethel's council meeting and reported in the Citizen a few weeks ago somewhat off-putting. The article in last week's Citizen about the debate in Greenwood quoted Selectman Amy Chapman as noting that drivers must expect to slow down and match the speed of bicyclists in many situations. Motorists cannot expect that there is room in a single lane for their vehicle to safely pass a bicyclist even if the bicyclist is riding single file and reasonably close to the edge. If there is an approaching car, that means the motorists must slow down and trail the bicyclist at his or her speed until the approaching car passes. According to Maine law, a motorist can pass a bicyclist in an area with a double yellow line, if it can be done safely. But to do so safely the motorist will need to cross over the center line, and so "safely" means being able to see far enough ahead to get back into the lane ahead of the bicyclist if there is an approaching car. As Chapman noted, it can be a safety measure for the bicyclist to assert his or her right to the lane by taking up a good portion of it so that aggressive drivers don't try to unsafely squeeze past. On a winding road, this may be the bicyclists attempting to warn the motorist that there is an approaching car that perhaps they cannot see yet.

Part of the grumbling about bicyclists in earlier letters was that they should obey the rules too. True enough, but if you think just a minute, if there is a car-bicycle accident, it is pretty clear who is going to get the worst of it. It is very likely that the bicyclist will be killed or very seriously injured. Motorists who may not be aware of the many bicyclists in the area should welcome signage reminding them to take care. As a motorist, I would rather be warned than to cause an accident, and live with the knowledge that I killed or seriously injured someone, or be charged with vehicular manslaughter.

John Reilly
Albany Township and Watertown, Mass.

MORE ON BICYCLING

To the Editor:

The Bethel Active Community Environment Team (ACE) has been formed as a part of the Oxford County Wellness Collaborative along with similar teams in the Rumford River Valley, Oxford Hills, and Sacopee Valley. Its charge is to promote healthy living in the community by promoting walking, biking, and other forms of active recreation as a part of the lifestyle of all residents and visitors. One way that ACE teams work toward this goal is by helping to promote safe walking and biking throughout the area.

With this goal in mind, the Bethel ACE Team is very much in favor of educating both drivers and bike riders about the laws and courtesies involved in using local roadways. There has been concern among many folks about the proposal to erect signs reminding drivers to ensure a three foot separation when vehicles are passing bicycles. The issue seems to be that both drivers and bicyclists need reminding of the rules of the road.

Perhaps instead of speaking only to drivers the selectmen should consider signage reminding us all to share the roads. Bicyclists need to ride single file, signal turns, and obey stop signs just as vehicle drivers need to obey speed limits, drive without distractions, and pass cyclists safely. We believe that roads are for everyone, and that we all have a responsibility to keep each other safe while using them. On June 24 Nancy Grant of the Bicycle Coalition of Maine will be in Bethel speaking at the Chamber of Commerce Networking Breakfast on this and other subjects related to road safety. Anyone is welcome to register to attend the breakfast gathering by calling the Chamber at 8242282.

Steve Wight, Gabe Perkins, Bonnie Pooley
Newry, Bethel, Albany

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MOOSE FESTIVAL THANKS

To the Editor:

Saturday's Bethel Maine Moose Festival will go down in the record books as a great first time event! The Bethel Area Chamber could not have done it without the support of a very dedicated group of partner organizations and individuals with the University of Maine 4-H Camp and Learning Center as our primary collaborator. Ron Fournier has been the cornerstone of the beautiful foundation of the event from the start and we need to recognize and thank him for his incredible gifts of time and energy!

Jeremy Fredette and Sarah Renee Lane from Bethel Bait Tackle & More stepped up very early in the process with a huge sponsorship and also remarkable gifts of time, art expertise and tireless work.

Additional gifts of time were provided by organizing committee members Scott Olsen, Bethany Pelletier, Brad Jerome, Laurie Herron, Eric Souther, Dave Scanlan, Kim Sparks, and Dee Fournier. The State Agency support of Emily MacCabe from the Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife was extremely helpful and we are grateful for a marketing grant from the Maine Office of Tourism. Maine Professional Guides Association and their Executive Director Don Kleiner ran the Moose Calling Contest. Their Emcee, Roger Lambert, actually had about 1,200 people on their feet under the big tent doing a collective moose call!

The sponsors were the financial backbone of the event: Cabela's, with Greg Sirpis at the helm; Bethel Bait Tackle & More, Townsquare Media (WBLM 102.9FM and WHOM 94.9FM), L.L. Bean, Bangor Daily News, Allen's Coffee Brandy, Baxter Brewing, Pepsi Beverages Company, Orion Outfitters & Guide Services, Oxford Casino, Norway Savings Bank, The Bethel Inn Resort and our local radio partner WOXO. Thanks also to Doug Zinchuk Roofing for sponsoring the Coloring and Poster Contest for the CPS students. A shout out to the businesses that participated in the Moose Art Tour (go check out their moose if you haven't already!): 22 Broad Street at Gideon Hastings House, Bethel Bait Tackle & More, Black Diamond Steakhouse, Good Food Store, Rooster's Roadhouse, Mahosuc Realty, Pat's Pizza, Nabos, Top Notch Tree Service, Sunday River Brewing Co., True North Adventureware and the Philbrook Place.

Extraordinary service and time were given by a huge cadre of volunteers: A huge thanks to our Emcee for the morning, Kevin Rosenberg! Also to: Jay Adams, Ellie Andrews, Karen Aumick, Sarah Bryan, Katie Burgess, Carlie Casey, Anita Clark, Cherri Crockett, Barb and Bob Dion, Richard Duplessis, Dave Freiday, Dean Gilbert, Scott Hynek, Nichole Jordan, Meredith Kennedy, Don Kleiner, Roger Lambert, Lizz Peacock, Gabe Perkins, Ben Poseno, Mia Purcell, Heather Roderick, Savannah Sessions, Andy, Bob, Casey and Heather Seymour, Melissa Sheridan, Danielle Skarupa, Sarah and Samantha Southam, Lloyd Sweetser, Bill Tout, Deb Webster, Bill White, and Teagan Wright. Parking volunteers from the Telstar Football Team: Brad Wight and Calvin Glover, Shawn Mador, Elijah Mason, Fabian Corriveau, Jordan McGetchin. Thanks to our recycling/trash crew from Western Maine Budo Arts: Eric, Lidia and Celia Melanson, Jon, Mae and EB Hoff, Seth Shimamura, Callie, Cameron and Ian Pecunies, Nyia Dixon, Kevin Colby, Kristen and Tim O'Connor, Mike Isener, Brenna Diaz, Gary, Sam and Sean.

Thanks for lawns, Stan Howe and the Bethel Historical Society. Thanks for parking lots: Bethel Station, Crescent Park School, Gehring House, Gould Academy. Thanks to the Town of Bethel, Scott Sumner and Jerry Bernier for helping with equipment. And, to anyone we missed – it takes a village to make a big event like this work smoothly. Thanks all!

Robin Zinchuk, Jessie Perkins and Julia Reuter
Chamber Staff

REMEMBERING AVERY ANGEVINE

To the Editor:

The recent passing of Avery Angevine removes from our midst one of Bethel's best-known residents. Throughout his long life, he was always involved in all kinds of enterprises and numerous activities.

Among his many accomplishments was the movement of the stone hitching post in back of the Bethel Historical Society's O'Neil Robinson House to a more permanent location in front of this important museum building. He was also instrumental in restoring the historic Sunday River snow roller to its original condition. This effort was especially meaningful to me as my father had begun this project, but he died before it was completed.

Throughout his extended time on earth, Avery faced situations and an encounter with a load of logs that would have daunted most of us, but he dealt with these travails of life squarely along with great courage and resolution.

It saddened me during my last conversation with him at the 2015 Memorial Day exercises on the Bethel Common that he appeared discouraged. Gone was the strong affirmation of the joy of living that I had always associated with him. As it turned out, he was not to be with us much longer.

I and many others who knew him well will miss our numerous conversations with Avery. He was such an inspiration for lots of us and we shall fondly recall him for the rest of our days.

Stan Howe
Bethel

DONE WITH THE NRA

To the Editor:

For many years, my son-in-law wondered why I did not join the NRA; he and I enjoyed hunting and the wilderness most of our lives. Even though we came from quite different backgrounds, we both had a fascination for guns, new and old.

Well, I finally joined the NRA a few years ago. When I learned recently that the NRA actually supports the idea that almost anyone, a few exceptions, could carry a concealed weapon without going through a background check and gun handling course, I was floored.

In the very near future, Maine is going to decide if this is going to happen or not – I sincerely hope that there is enough sense in our legislators not to let this happen.

When speaking to several NRA sources and they confirmed the NRA's stand on this, I was speechless; well, not quite. They were informed that NRA membership was not for me anymore.

I ask: Am I being paranoid and misinformed? Please let me hear from both sides on this issue. Are most of us numb or indifferent when it comes to securing a better and less lethal future?

Gun ownership has been an important part of our lives from our country's very beginning. Please do not make a mockery of the guidelines we have. With gun ownership comes responsibility when living in a civilized society. It is not the legal guns that kill 99 percent of the time.

Just look at Chicago or Baltimore, etc. or all the gang killings happening. Is it not a fact that in states where concealed weapons permits are a fact, gun violence has declined drastically? NRA has been a leader in this for years. What happened?

Please don't destroy what has taken us so many years to achieve. Again, let us hear from both sides!

Odd Lyngholm
Bethel

THANK YOU FOR CONDOLENCES

To the Editor:

I want to thank all of you who have sent expressions of condolence to me and Mona upon the loss of my brother Stanley. It means a lot to have so many thoughtful people take the time to express their thoughts on such an occasion. It is gratifying to be thought of by so many.

Richard Grover
Mason Township

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. Insofar as possible, we attempt to publish letters without alteration, but we do reserve the right to edit for length, libel, taste and readability.

When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may verify authorship).

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Our Back Pages

Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: More than 1,400 cyclists took park in the annual Sunday River to the Sea bike trek, raising more than \$1 million for the American Lung Association.

Several hundred people attended the Midsummer Festival/Summer Solstice at The Meadow in Bethel.

Births: Cassandra Ann Sylvester, Hayley Lynn Cote, Ryleigh Elaine Gile, Wynter Skye Gould Smith, Ethan Scott Hart.

Deaths: Donald L. Herrick, Carmen Roy Murphy.

20 years ago: A dumpster-loving bear forced the closure of Hastings Campground off Route 113 in Bachelders Grant. WMNF officials planned to trap and relocate the animal.

DiAnne Leighton of Albany was one of two riders chosen from Maine to participate in the United States Dressage Federation testing in Hartford, Conn.

Birth: Dylan Bruce-Michael Lord.

Deaths: Theresa A. McNulty, Norma G. Burns, Noreen B. Russo.

30 years ago: Town crews began excavating the site on Cross Street for Bethel's new ambulance garage.

Earlton "Bud" Paine received the Henry H. Hastings award at the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce annual banquet.

Deaths: C. Everett Cross, Berenice K. Horton, Lee Wesley Roberts.

40 years ago: Harlan Bean joined the sales staff at Schiavi's Western Auto in Norway.

The Bethel Senior Citizens held their monthly meeting at the Locke's Mills town hall. The Fish & Game Association served a smorgasbord-style meal.

Death: Emil Heikkinen.

50 years ago: Ground breaking ceremonies were held for the new wing at Stephens Memorial Hospital.

The 24-inch pipe to be laid for the Portland-Montreal pipeline was being stockpiled in Lynn Bennett's field in Skillington.

Birth: Brent Shane Godwin.

Deaths: Irving Bernard Leighton, Chester Chapman, Miss Doris Thurlow.

60 years ago: Following severe electrical storms which lashed considerable areas of Cumberland and Oxford counties, the area was without electric service for nearly 21 hours.

Grand Ole Opry entertainers Bill Monroe, Cowboy Copas, and Dot & Smokey were among the performers at a tent show held at Morgan's Showgrounds.

Birth: Paul Henry Austin.

Deaths: Mrs. Madge T. McKenney, John Clark, John Clinton Littlefield.

70 years ago: Henry V. Lane began operating the Upton, North Newry Star Route, and Wesley Wheeler the Bethel-Sunday River-Hanover and Rumford Point route.

Death: Charles Morgan Mason.

80 years ago: Sherman Flu of Haverhill, Mass., bought the Dana Hall place on Kilborn Street.

Among the advertisements: Fords delivered in Bethel – Five Window Coupe, \$614; Tudor Sedan, \$630.

Deaths: Harold L. Powers, Mrs. Flora B. Hawley.

90 years ago: Gould Academy Class of 1911 held their reunion at Lake-wood Camps, Milledam.

Summer train schedule of the Canadian National Railway trains left Bethel East bound 4:50 a.m., 8:40 a.m. except Sunday, and 4:42 p.m., West bound 10:37 a.m., 4:21 p.m. except Sunday.

Deaths: Julius P. Skillings, Barton A. Smith.

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From the Bethel Town Manager's Office

By Christine Landes

As always, it is my pleasure to provide this biweekly column for the citizens of Bethel.

I must first publicly extend my apologies. I was recently informed that the flowers in front of the town office are planted and maintained by Fran and Charlie Richmond. Thank you to the Richmonds for the beautiful color adorning our front office! I also need to extend a thank you to Louise Lovejoy for her additional help preparing the building for the installment of the boxes!

This past couple of weeks the Town Office was busy preparing for the Annual Town Meeting. The turnout at the polls was certainly lower than we forecasted it to be, however it was nice to see a modest turnout at the open meeting held the next evening. Ordinance changes seemed to draw the most discussion, with one of the proposed changes failing. As always, the undesignated fund balance article drew a variety of opinions on how much to appropriate. In the end the article passed as written.

I have begun the process of looking into viable options for the Ethel Bisbee School location. A local realtor has been asked to provide a rough fair market value of the property should the town decide to relinquish the site. I have also contacted the Maine Historic Preservation Commission in hopes they would be able to provide some insight into the historical rehabilitation of the property. Although some further research on the deed description needs to be uncovered, I hope that the property lines are well defined. Determining the

lot lines will help when an official survey is conducted. Your ideas are welcome for the property/buildings best use.

The town employees have been busy prepping Main Street, Mill Hill and Church Street for the upcoming pavement that the State of Maine will be conducting. This process included raising and repairing three man-hole covers. I would like to extend my thanks to the employees involved in this process. It takes a team to have the operations run smooth, and what a team the Town does have!

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Sarah Tucker as the new Recreation Director. Some of you may well be aware that Sarah also works as the Planning and Assessing Assistant. With her love of physical fitness and a thorough knowledge of computer applications and programs the Recreation program in the Town of Bethel should continue to grow. She will be available Tuesday's 1 to 5 p.m. at the Town Office for any recreational questions, concerns or comments.

As I mentioned before, I am very pleased to see the surrounding government officials contributing to the paper. It is nice to be informed of what else is going on at the other offices. Thanks to the fellow town office contributors. Together we will keep the communities educated on happenings and events that they may choose to be involved in.

If there is anything I, or the employees of the town, can do for you please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here for you.

THS

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a retirement gift. And, he said, "What will make the memories stand fresh for a long, long time is that you thought to reach back in your memories, and invite us to share this moment with you."

The teachers were followed by class members Savannah Clough, Sadie Ellsworth, Taran Vitale and Zac Wheeler, who took the audience on an often-humorous trip back through their school experiences with "High School Reflections."

They drew laughter for elementary school memories that included a girl beating two boys at arm wrestling at the same time; and teachers telling the class in third grade that from then on, everything would be written in cursive handwriting - "then in sixth grade they told us we would never use cursive again."

Honors speakers Rebecca-Lynn Tuttle (third honors), Liam Gallagher (salutatorian) and Travis Wheeler (valedictorian) followed.

Tuttle told family and friends that "we appreciate you for everything you do."

She said that in attending Central Maine Community College her senior year under a cooperative program between the schools, "I've learned a lot, I truly have. It's made me a better person."

She advised classmates going on to school to keep in mind the importance of responsibility in being successful.

Gallagher told the class, "In a few short minutes, your life after high school will begin." With it, he said, comes both freedom and responsibility. "All of a sudden, your mistakes in high school won't matter as much ... you'll be faced with new challenges, new experiences, and new worlds to explore."

Wheeler told the audience that he had learned a lot from his experience at Telstar and made a lot of great friends. He thanked his teachers and friends, some by name.

And, he said, "I thank the three people who have been with me every day of my life: my father Dan, my mother Paula, and my brother, Zac."

Wheeler, who has a visual impairment, said they comforted him when times got tough, but also celebrated the good times with him. "I would not be where I am today without their support," adding that he was lucky to have his brother as his best friend since birth.

After his speech he received a standing ovation from classmates and the audience.

The student speakers were followed by the class singing the song "Here I Go Again," by White Snake; congratulatory remarks by School Board Chair Lainey Cross; the certification of graduates by Supt. Dave Murphy; and the presentation of diplomas by Bell.

(In keeping with tradition, each class member handed the principal a small object on receiving the diploma. This year's gifts: parking passes.)

Class member Michael Cintron then addressed the gathering, describing his concerns about whether the American school system is adequately preparing students for a world economy.

He said that if students are not prepared, "it's not because of teachers who work tirelessly to meet standards set out," but because the public education system as a whole needs to be re-examined."

Cintron said classes such as home economics, business math and philosophy can teach students to be independent, but have been left behind in favor of other "core" classes.

He went on to advise classmates "to be the person you need to be - for yourselves and for others ... make everyone proud, but first, make yourself proud."

Dean of Students Cheryl Lang closed the ceremony, and after marching out of the gymnasium the class went on to Project Graduation activities in the Portland area.

Newry to correct \$75,000 warrant error

By TERRY KARKOS

Selectmen hastily scheduled a special board meeting for today (Thursday) at 5 p.m. to draft a warrant to correct a March town meeting error.

Administrator Loretta Powers said Tuesday no one caught the mistake in Article 34 that was supposed to take \$75,000 from unappropriated surplus

and buy down the tax rate. Voters at town meeting approved it, thinking that's what was intended. But Powers said despite everyone who proofread the warrant, including selectmen who voted to place it before voters, the article states that the \$75,000 would be placed in the capital improvement account.

As time neared to send

out the tax bills, the mistake was discovered. "We can't take the money from surplus to buy down taxes," Powers said.

She said that if selectmen did not correct the matter, she guessed the new tax rate would be between \$9.40 per \$1,000 of valuation with a \$40,000 overlay or \$9.57 without the \$75,000 from surplus.

She suggested a special town meeting before July when the tax bills are supposed to be sent.

"It's the right thing to do," Selectman Jim Largent said. "The town already voted to do it. We should get it right."

The special town meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 30. Both meetings will be held at the Town Office.

Football

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will go by the nickname Rebels, to match the high school team.

The Boosters hope the early identity association with the high school will help the kids aspire to play for THS.

The Grades 2 through 3 youth programs are funded entirely separately from the school budget. And while the boosters heavily fund the high school program, SAD 44 does provide transportation and other services for it.

Currently, the THS team has about 30 players, while the youth program at the middle school age level is about 20. The youngest group numbers 30 to 40, for two teams.

This summer, on Aug. 1, the boosters will offer the first annual Telstar Rebels Football Clinic at Telstar for grades 2-12, boys and girls - those who already play and those who think they might like to try it.

The event will run from 9 to 11 a.m., with lunch afterward. The clinic will be organized by positions played.

Participating athletes will receive a T-shirt.

Coaches are: grades 2-4, Steve Jackson, Elijah Mason and Taneli Koskela; grades 5-6, Jody Swallow and Brian Stevens; grades 7-8, Tim O'Connor and Steve Frazier.

High school assistant coaches are Clifford Boynton, Jessie Bates and Alex Miele.

Some of the older THS players will help conduct the activities.

Entire families are welcome. Brann said it will be a good opportunity for coaches and parents to get to know each other, and learn how the program is progressing.

There is no pre-registration. Participants should wear T-shirts and shorts, and bring cleats, if possible. All activities will be non-contact. The charge is \$10 per youngster.

If any family finds the charge a problem, they are asked to contact Brann at 562-4337 or Swallow at 890-9606.

The rain date is Aug. 2.

Doug and Jodi Wilson are like several other boosters members, in that they no

longer have kids of their own playing football. The group includes, in addition to the Wilsons, Brad and Brenda Wight and Tim and Terri O'Connor.

"Our program is particularly grateful to these long-time members," said Swallow.

"We worked hard to get it going," said Jodi. "We want it to continue."

"Our goal is to have the kids be active," said Doug.

The boosters said they welcome new members and supporters.

They are currently working on upgrading equipment and fundraising for lighting the Telstar field.

Anyone with general questions about the program or the clinic may also call Swallow or Brann.



The Telstar Football Boosters at a recent meeting. Seated, from left: Doug Wilson, Elijah Mason, Jody Wilson, Terri and Tim O'Connor, Tim Mason, Lou Brann, Alex Miele, Jesse Bates, Cliff Boynton. Back: Shelley Corriveau, Stephanie Mason, Brad and Brenda Wight, Jodi Wilson.

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He recommended voting it down, "and look at it more closely."

Bob Chadbourne agreed. "I think it can be improved upon," he said. "It does not work for industrial uses."

Cheri Thurston, a member of the Planning Board, said the proposal was largely "in response to the heat we took for the Family Dollar Store. A lot of the people who are opposed to the change are the people who said, 'How can you let this happen?'"

Businessman Rick Whitney opposed the change. "I just think it's a shame that the town seems to propose and pass ordinances that are specifically designed to hurt commercial development," he said.

He said they cost developers money, and do not promote a business-friendly atmosphere.

After about 15 minutes of discussion the proposal was overwhelmingly defeated. Other article proposing ordinance changes were approved.

Mt. Explorer

The request for the Mountain Explorer, under the Public Works account, doubled what the town has paid in recent years.

Dennis Doyon made a motion to fund it at \$5,000.

In March Newry upped its past contribution of \$5,000 annually, but only

to \$7,500 rather than the \$10,000 requested.

The bus service requested the additional funds, citing a drop in federal aid and a steady decline in local business contributions.

Craig Zurhorst of Western Maine Transportation, which operates the service, said the Mountain Explorer "is hoping to rebuild the support base" of smaller businesses in the Bethel area.

Allen Connors, general manager of the Bethel Inn, said he has observed that when the bus stops there "at least half the riders are local kids and employees," in addition to visitors to the area.

Tim Carter said the shuttle "is more valuable to Bethel than to Newry. Newry would be happy if everyone stayed in Newry."

The amendment was defeated and the requested \$10,000 approved under the overall Public Works budget.

Trash

A proposal under the Capital Improvements article for \$48,000 for trash compactors and other improvements at the transfer station left Peter Mason wondering why the town was spending the money "to make it easier for Pine Tree Waste to haul waste," without a clear assurance that it would lead eventually to savings for the

town.

Jeff Parsons proposed an amendment to cut the funds.

But Doyon said with stepped up enforcement to ensure only those with stickers use the transfer station, the tonnage should drop.

The amendment was defeated.

Reducing taxes

The last article of the evening asked residents to appropriate \$100,000 from the undesignated fund balance to reduce the property tax commitment.

Doyon moved to up that amount to \$250,000.

Town Manager Christine Landes said it is recommended by the Government Finance Officers Association that towns keep a minimum of two months of operating expenses in the account. For Bethel, one month's costs are about \$643,000.

"We should have \$1.3 million," she said. There was \$1,153,143 as of June 30 of last year, she said.

Landes recommended against taking the larger amount. Earlier this spring, she said, "we had \$270,000 in the checking account. It was a little scary for me."

Carter, citing the current debate in the state Legislature over the budget and revenue sharing, said, "it's good to have a big reserve."

But Chadbourne said the town could borrow money relatively cheaply if cash flow got too tight, describing the borrowing cost as "miniscule, less than what the taxpayers are paying." Selectman Don Bennett said he could support an additional \$50,000 to reduce taxes, but he also recommended against the amendment.

It was defeated, as was another then proposed by Jane Ryerson for \$175,000. The article then passed in the original amount.

The meeting lasted about two hours and was moderated by Dutch Dresser.

DEP commissioner meets with Woodstock board over dam issue

By ALISON ALOISIO

Woodstock selectmen Tuesday voiced their frustrations to Maine Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Patricia Aho over how the town was treated regarding the reconstruction of the Lake Christopher dam two years ago.

Aho attended the meeting after Town Manager Vern Maxfield wrote a letter to her in March.

Two years ago, after the town was granted a DEP permit for the project, the dam was rebuilt under the design and supervision of engineer Jim Sysko.

Sysko said Tuesday that during the construction, a heavy rainstorm followed by a strong wind churned up two-foot waves that started washing the dam material into the lake.

"We did not have rip rap [rocks]," he said, and they had not been proposed in the permit application.

Sysko said he added rip rap [over an area of 328 square feet, according to Maxfield's letter], in order to stop the erosion.

"The dam was on the brink of complete failure," Sysko said. "I should have notified DEP, but we had to do it quick."

Board Chair Ron Deegan said he had supported the move. "Jim made the right engineering decision," he said.

DEP officials found out about the change a month later, when they came to inspect the site, Maxfield said.

A DEP engineer in the group agreed with Sysko's decision to add the rocks, said Deegan.

But when the inspection concluded, said Sysko, another DEP official said the town would need to get another permit, at a cost that eventually totaled \$603.

Sysko said he was "shocked."

Deegan wondered why, instead of going through a full reapplication process for another permit, "couldn't we have had a change order right there?"

In his letter Maxfield asked for a refund on the \$603, but the town was told it could not be returned,

Bies said.

Deegan said the town officials had been treated in a condescending way during the overall process.

Aho said the board had a valid point on having the flexibility to make changes on a project site, but any future changes in that policy could not be applied to Woodstock's situation.

"It's not going to help you out, but you can take credit for raising a valid question," she said.

The Woodstock officials also took issue with the initial \$10,000 fee they had to pay to DEP for the permit.

Aho said such a fee is required when a project will have an impact on a wetland.

Sysko said the wetland was there before the project because of the damaged dam, and since the project completion the wetland has dried up.

The board asked if the application fees are different for municipalities and private companies.

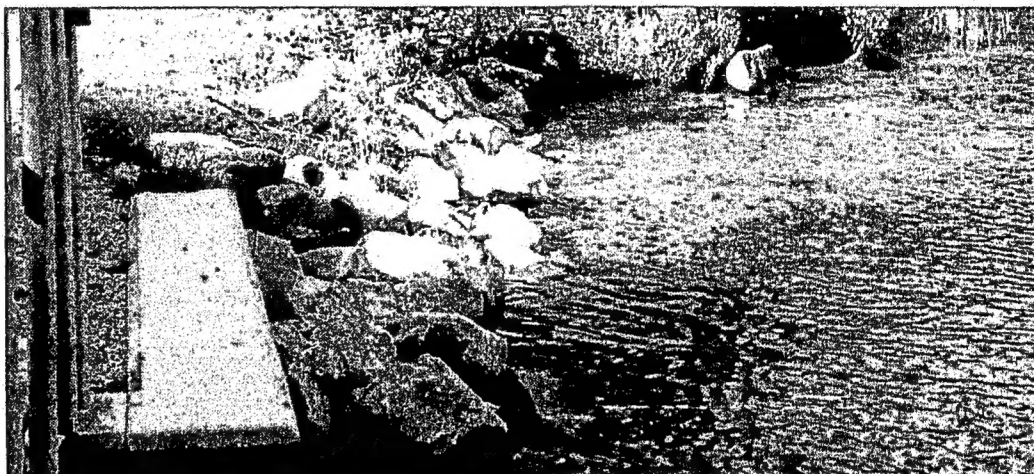
Aho said the state treats them the same.



Cheri Thurston of the Bethel Planning Board discusses a proposed ordinance change. (A. Aloisio)



DEP Commissioner Patricia Aho (far left, in audience) meets with (from left at table) engineer Jim Sysko, Selectmen Steve Bies, Ron Deegan and Mike Nadeau, and Town Manager Vern Maxfield and former Selectman Rick Young. (A. Aloisio)



The view from the Lake Christopher dam, showing the added rip rap. (A. Aloisio)

Woodstock's Bicentennial Schedule June 20, 2015

At the Masonic Hall Starting at 8:30AM

- Jefferson Chapter # 89, Order of the Eastern Star will be selling, by donation, The Lake Store donuts and coffee and bottled water from 8:30-11:00.
- Chicken Bar-be-que beginning at 12:30
- Open House
- Shadagee Rambler's Music

Parade Line-Up at the Ballfield Grandstand From 10:00 to 10:30AM

Right after the Parade At about 12:00 Noon

- Gather on the Library lawn to hear greetings from Rick Bennett, Chairman of the Maine Republican Party, and he brings greeting from Maine Governor LePage as well.
- Listen to Beth Emerson as she reads the Woodstock Poem and hear the Woodstock Song, sung by Blossom from the Bryant Pond Baptist Church.

Activities at the Fire Station Throughout the Day

- Stephens' Mills Artifacts
- GENEALOGY BANNER
- Hand Tub Display
- Popcorn, etc.

Activities at the Library Throughout the Day

- Open House at the Library
- Daughters of Veterans Display
- WES Children's Games
- Book sale, PIE sale, and light refreshments
- Bounce House, by Lil' Leapin' Lizards of Bethel
- Souvenir sales
- Flower Judging Contest
- Winner of the Quilt Raffle will be drawn

The Mineral Spring has been partially restored so it can be seen by visitors.

At the Grange Hall 9:00AM to 2:00PM

- Open House and tours of the Hall
- Conversations on what the Grange does and promotes

At the Post Office 7:00 to 11:00AM

- Cancellation Stamp in Honor of the Bicentennial

At Goddess Robes Throughout the Day

- Bicentennial T-Shirt Sales, and around town as well

At the Ballfield & Grandstand Beginning at 3:00 PM

- Olde Timers Ballgame
- Hot Dogs/soda served by the Fire Department

On the Common in the Gazebo at 6:00 PM

- Lolalee and Paula singing your favorite country songs.

Around Town Throughout the Day

- Free Popcorn and \$1 Ice Cream cones all day at Breat's Too!
- Visit the Historical Society & see the Bryant Pond Telephone Company Switchboard and other great Memorabilia from Woodstock's past.
- See a display of vehicles from the Good Old Days at Sterling Mills Home on Rumford Ave.

9:00 PM FIREWORKS

Sunday, June 21 at 10:30AM

- Bryant Pond Baptist Church Service

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The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

One of my grandsons graduated from high school last week. Phew!!! He is a smart boy, but definitely marches to his own drum so there were some moments of doubt this great day would come.

However, he knuckled down and got the job done. A family celebratory cookout took place in the afternoon of graduation day and watching him receive his diploma that evening was a joyous occasion for the whole family.

Now Reese is faced with adulthood and the responsibility of his future. I wish him the best of everything. I know I will spend a fair amount of time worrying about him and praying that he makes the right decisions as he travels on the road of his future and I will certainly be there to support him in the event that he doesn't.

For Reese and the rest of the graduates school is out, but for the rest of the kids sitting in classrooms I'm sure they are getting a bit antsy as the last days until summer vacation draw near. When I was a little kid these last few days of school were the best.

I have some very fond memories of the giddy feelings that all little kids get when summer vacation is close at hand. It wasn't just the fact that school was soon to end; it was all the activities that took place because class-

room work was over.

One special memory of this time was in the fourth grade. The teacher lived right next door to the school and she took the whole class to her huge backyard for a picnic. Even though we could see the school from there it still seemed like a great adventure, at least to me.

Summer vacation is close at hand

I was a "walker" and went home for lunch during the school year so I never got to bring a sandwich lunch until that fourth grade picnic. Not only did I get to bring a sandwich, tuna, my favorite, but I also got a small bag of chips, Hostess cupcakes and a thermos of Kool Aid. In my little world this was the absolute best treat.

And, as if that wasn't enough to make me so excited that I almost peed my pants, the teacher gave all of us a Popsicle! I don't think I ever had a Popsicle that tasted so good.

I also remember having a lot of outside activities with races and dodgeball and things like that. Just being out on the playground when we would normally be in the classroom seemed so special. And even in the classroom there were games

to be played. For the first time the teachers seemed human and capable of fun and laughing. As kids we didn't realize that the teachers were pretty darn anxious for the school year to end too.

I don't think you can ever experience that kind of end of school excitement when you get older. For the bigger kids a picnic and a Popsicle just don't do it.

For adults maybe the last day of work prior to a vacation might recapitulate a smidgen of that excitement, but it isn't quite the same. It's not like the boss plays fun games with you or takes you on a picnic. You don't even get a Popsicle. Basically, you watch the clock counting the minutes until you can leave.

Back when I worked in advertising the last few days before vacation were so hectic making sure that everything was done and in order that there was no time for clock watching and most of the time on the last day I worked late just to get everything done. There was no excitement there.

I hope that as Reese goes forward with his life that he takes with him some fond memories of his younger years and the last few days of school before summer vacation. I know that you can never get those giddy feelings back, but the way I see it a picnic and a Popsicle can still be a lot of fun at any age.

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OCSD Patrol Log

Tuesday, June 9

At 2:45 p.m. Deputy Andy Whitney took a report of a theft from a business in Bethel. A juvenile suspect was warned and forced to apologize and pay for the items.

Wednesday, June 10

At 8:44 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney checked a residence on the Walkers Mills Road in Bethel for a subject with several arrest warrants. The subject was not located.

Friday, June 12

At 8:35 a.m. Lt. Tom Harriman received information that a sex offender in Bethel might be non-compliant. The Criminal Investigation Division was expected to investigate.

At 8:56 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney arrested Travis Walker, 24, on arrest warrants in Bethel.

At 12:39 p.m. a call was received regarding a violation of protection order in Bethel. Deputy Josh Daley was assigned, and the investigation was ongoing.

Saturday, June 13

At 1:19 a.m. Deputy Josh Aylward pulled over a vehicle on the West Bethel Road in Bethel for erratic operation. After completing an OUI investigation, the deputy arrested Willis Discentes of Hollis for OUI.

Sunday, June 14

At 12:57 a.m. Deputy Josh Aylward arrested Laura M. Peterson, 41, of Portland for OUI on Walkers Mills Road in Bethel.

At 9:23 a.m. Deputy Matt McDonnell responded to the Intervale Road in Bethel for half a dozen mailboxes vandalized overnight.

At 8:17 p.m. Deputy Matt McDonnell took a report of a theft on Broad Street in Bethel.

Monday, June 15

At 8:21 a.m. Deputy Josh Daley responded to Mayville Road in Bethel for a report of a property-damage accident, with two subjects and two vehicles. There were no reported injuries.



The new Vernon Street – bikers follow the new white line.

(D. Bennett)

to have commercial building reflect historic New England image (pitched roofs and dormers). Voters defeated the Site Plan Ordinance revision. There was much discussion on Ambulance Service budget increase; Mt. Explorer and Capital Improvements (purchase of compacter for single stream recycling). Waste management appropriation was \$57,731 over last year. Public works appropriation was up by \$37,690. When the end of the Warrant came up, there was haggling over how much to take from the undesignated fund balance, \$100,000 recommended; amendments that proposed to take (1) \$250,000 and then (2) \$175,000 were defeated. Voters approved taking \$100,000 out of the undesignated fund balance account (a paper figure, not real money). Overall, increases were approved for 12 town accounts.

11th Shy Novice and Closeted Art Show
This year's show will take place at Janet Willie's house at 18 High Street, July 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Art may be dropped at Janet's house between June 28 and July 2. It is requested that drop-offs are made during the early part of that week. For details on how to participate see www.facebook.com/shy-artshow. You can also call Janet if you have questions at 207-824-3889. Contributing artists are asked to donate \$10 to the show and to write a statement about how creating art influences your life.

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Bethel

By NANCY BROWN



It's time to take in your bird feeders if you still have them out, including the hummingbird feeders. My sister and brother-in law, Laurie and Bob Hickey, returned to their Shelburne, N.H., home on Saturday afternoon to find that a local bear had visited their deck. They have seen bears over the past few years; on their long driveway leading off Route 2, in the vegetable garden, and in the woods. They have always been cautious and aware of wild life in the area, especially in "bear season." This time the bear climbed onto the deck and tore down the hummingbird feeders, twisting and breaking the metal holders. The bear walked through the liquid leaving wet paw prints on the deck, stairs, and the side of the house. Laurie and Bob think they scared her (or him) away when they drove into the driveway. My wildlife sightings have been less dramatic. We have a fine looking red fox that we saw

Bethel

By DON BENNETT



The Moose Festival – How it got here

Rob in Zinchuk tells the story. Around October 2013, Scott Olsen, Bethany Pelletier and Ron Fournier of the Bryant Pond 4-H Camp and Learning Center suggested Bethel host the 2015 Moose lottery event. They had already sounded out the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Department about the idea – with the Bethel Chamber of Commerce and not a U of M agency being the host. After sounding out the IF&W commissioner's office the Bethel Chamber saw a green light to submit a plan. Come February 2014, the commissioner's office double checked with the Bethel Chamber for reassurance Bethel was still on board. Bethel's geographical location was a plus because it would add variety to where these annual Maine events are held.

Rangeley, Greenville and Presque Isle were asked for their experiences and lessons learned – the main answer was, "make sure to have adequate seating." Finding a supplier with one tent that could cover 800 seats was the next item. Two local tent sources were too small; Affordable Events of Harrison could do it and they were Bethel Chamber members. The Depart-

ment of IF&W would take care of audio visual setups to insure quality sound.

Budget time: Add up all the details and \$32,000 would be needed – by far the costliest event yet. Lead sponsors would be asked for \$10,000 each. Cabela's and Maine (meaning a collection of state tourism agencies) would be the leads. Bangor Daily News would be the chief print media sponsor. Robin said they found the most information spreading value for them was in using sources. Also once Christmas season 2014 ended, outdoors sports vendors flooded in to buy advertising – a huge funding help filling budget gaps. Site choices by then had whittled down to one: the Common and the Bethel Inn area. The Town said OK.

A final Yes or No had to be given to the Department by April 2014 – and by then Robin said they were confident that Bethel could say Yes. Commissioner Chandler Woodcock approved Bethel for 2015's Moose Festival.

Saturday, June 13, 2015, 73 volunteers wearing Event Staff orange shirts kept the visitor flow moving along.

Bethel Town Meeting
Seventy-two voters attended – meeting lasted one hour and forty minutes. Vote on fluoride in town water was 176 to keep fluoride vs. 79 to stop fluoride. Most discussion: Sign ordinance – Site Plan Revisions over provision

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across Route 26 last week; I have heard what I think are her kits yelping. Tonight, she was a little too close to the house, coming within ten feet of the dog's backyard pen. She was headed for the brook probably for a routine drink of cold water, but with the high incidence of rabies, I am cautious of all wild animals.

The lupines are brilliant along the roadsides and in gardens right now. Most of the lupines along the roadways in this part of Maine are purple and blue, with some pinks and whites. The flowers are often used as ground cover on road banks because their strong root systems can help stabilize the terrain. I don't remember lupines in Maine from my childhood; the first place I saw them was along Seward's Highway in Alaska in the 1980s. A little research to find out what was eating my lupine flowers revealed that lupines are considered an invasive species here, having been brought here around 1950 as a garden plant, which then escaped into the wild. I also found that the pest eating my flowers is aphids. The simple solution is to spray them with soapy (not detergent) water every few days.

The Moose Festival last weekend was a huge success. Our town knows how to put on a good show. The next town festival is the Bethel Art Fair, scheduled for Saturday, July 4, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the Bethel Common. This is the 26th year for the Art Fair, which is sponsored by the Mahoosuc Arts Council. The 2015 Artists of Honor are artists and potters Melody and Garrett Bonnema who have lived and worked in Bethel since 1974. The Arts Council is honoring them for their contributions to the culture of western Maine. The Bonnemas' work will be featured at the Owen Gallery at Gould Academy from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. during the Art Fair. Coinciding with the Art Fair is the 11th Annual Shy, Novice & Closeted Artists' Soiree and Art Show, which takes place the first Friday and Saturday of July at 18 High Street in Bethel.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brownnancy1950@gmail.com.

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



I hear that that first Moose Festival was a success and that quite a few locals got permits. Congratulations.

Neil Olson had a great, successful spring beaver trapping season up north in the Ashland area. His new baseball team, the East Coast Prospects, won

their first Tournament in Massachusetts, were undefeated the entire tournament. It was great baseball. He feels this is the best ever High School baseball team ever put together in Maine. The players are from 11 different schools. Keep us posted, Neil, and congratulations to you all. Go Team!

This week I need you help with two problems: On the Trivia, I now have two conflicting answers and the elections are a tie at this point. So, please do call me at 507-1008 or e-mail heinrichcracker@gmail.com with more answers and also to break the tie.

Have a great week.

Locke's Mills

By AMY WRIGHT CHAPMAN



My garden is (finally) all planted, except for a little space I'm saving for a second planting of beans. The seed packet always says to make successive plantings two weeks apart in order to have a longer picking season, but I usually forget to leave room, or I forget to buy extra seeds, or I buy them but forget to plant them.

My lettuce, radishes, and beets were all up within about four days of planting. I guess they liked the combination of warm sun and soaking rains. I bought two kinds of watermelon seedlings and a flat of muskmelon seedlings called Golden Gopher from Northern Roots in Locke's Mills. They weren't very big yet when I planted them, but they must have been good and healthy, because they have really taken off in just a few days. One of the watermelons is a variety called Orange Glo. I'll be interested to see if the fruit is really orange, instead of the usual watermelon pink.

My daughter Cait made it safely to her new hometown of Glenwood Springs, Colo. and is settling in well. After very brief stints with a couple of lawn maintenance companies, she's going to start work for the Carbondale Parks Department soon. She has already made several new friends, and has been hiking in the mountains and exploring the area every chance she gets. Her photos of the western landscape there are breathtaking, and I wouldn't mind going out for a visit sometime. However, while I admire her willingness to pull up stakes and try something new, I'm a committed lifelong New Englander myself, and I doubt I'll ever live anywhere else.

This is my son Will's third week of work as the librarian/archivist at the

Bethel Historical Society, and he seems to be enjoying it very much. I'm glad he has two jobs he likes so well (he also works at the library at the Sabbathday Lake Shaker Village two days a week). I asked him recently if he ever felt sad when the weekend was over, a feeling I remember all too well from the days when I had a regular work week and tried to pack as much as I could into the weekends. He said no, because while he loves his weekends, especially summer ones spent at camp, he enjoys his work week, too.

I had the wrong date in last week's column for the Greenwood Historical Society's next meeting. They will meet on Wednesday, July 1 at the GHS building in Locke's Mills at 7 p.m. A program will be presented on three of Greenwood's more interesting early residents: Eleazer Cole, presented by his great-grandson Blaine Mills; Sockalexis Newell, presented by his grandson Owen Melville; and the Greenwood Town Hermit Benny Wells, a.k.a. Blaine Mills interviewed by Oxford County Reporter Jack Quinn, a.k.a. Jim Bennett. Everyone welcome.

The Locke Mills Union Church will hold its annual Strawberry Festival on Saturday, June 27 from 7:30 a.m. until sold out. Come by early for Belgian waffles, shortcake, sundaes, strawberries, pies, baked goods, and trinkets and treasures.

I'm really looking forward to the Woodstock Bicentennial Celebration this Saturday. Hope to see you all there!

Andover

By JANE RICH



Today, June 18 at 7 p.m. there will be a public hearing in the Town Hall re-

garding the budget for our new school situation. The budget, as explained to us by the school board and new Superintendent, Jack Turcotte, is higher than they or we, the taxpayers, would like. However, without a budget history it was necessary to cover all the possibilities. Come to the meeting and get the details first hand. Be sure to vote on June 30.

The Andover Olde Home Day Committee met on Thursday evening to finalize the T-shirt design, discuss publicity, and events for July 31, Aug. 1 and 2. Thanks to Barb Bailey there will be a return of the ever popular Cow Chip Flip to be held on Saturday at 12:30 at the Grimaldi Field just prior to the Andover Motor Speedway lawn tractor pull and race which begins at 1 p.m. The

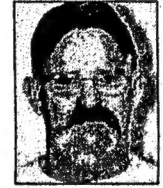
OHDC, thanks to volunteer Freeman Farrington and others will undertake the repair of the bleachers at the Grimaldi Field which are in such bad condition as to be unsafe. Buttons and T-shirts will be available by the July 4 holiday. It is hoped that there will be several floats in the parade and participants are reminded that in addition to trophies for first, second and third place, there are also cash prizes of \$100, \$50 and \$25. The theme this year is Celebrating 35 Years of Olde Home Day Honoring Traditions and Celebrating New Beginnings. In the past there have been some great floats and it is hoped that some will be recreated for this anniversary celebration. If you decide to do that, please have signage that says what year the float was in the parade. Volunteers are needed to sell buttons and T-shirts on Friday and Saturday. If you could give an hour or so to this, please call me at 392-3761. The next meeting and last before the actual event will be on Thursday, July 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall.

ATV riders are reminded of upcoming events sponsored by the Roxbury club. June 20 is the special friends ride and June 28 will be the Mount Washington Ride. Each summer the club has a Christmas in July Toy Ride and toys are distributed to various local charities to help with their Santa projects of providing a Christmas for children in need. This year's ride will be on July 12 and will leave at 10 a.m. from the Andover Park and Ride.

All you gardeners out there: think about entering your flower or vegetable garden in the annual contest to be judged July 30. For details call Ruth Hilton at 392-1001.

Upton

By JOE BERNIER



Sunday, June 21, is Father's Day. The Ladies Aid plans to serve breakfast to celebrate the holiday.

Members of the Letter B Notch Riders have been hard at work replacing trail signs. They have been replacing signs that were lost, stolen or destroyed. They also have started erecting signs on a new trail that connects York Pond Road to the old gravel pit off Route 26. The club also has plans to open a trail that will loop from Popple Dam Road to Whitecap Brook Trail.

In the mid-sixties, moose were a rarity in Upton. When one was seen by a local, the local would often call neighbors to tell them of the sighting. The

moose population peaked about the late nineties. In late spring or early summer at dusk or dawn in that era, it was almost a given that anyone traveling from Upton to Newry would see at least six moose and possibly twice that many. I left Back Street at approximately 5:15 a.m. and traveled that route every work day for the past two weeks. I saw a total of three moose. If the moose population continues to decline at the current rate, it will not be many years before moose sightings become a rarity again.

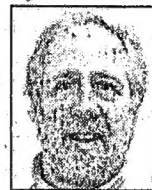
Upton Town Meeting will be Thursday, June 25, at the school.

The Upton Planning Board will meet Friday, June 26, at the town office. They will have a work-shop beginning at 6:30 p.m. At 7 p.m., they will review building applications.

Please call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.com to tell your local news.

Newry

By DOUG WEBSTER



Congratulations to Newry's Deputy Clerk, Kelly Scott. She has joined some of the

other town officials in the area and will be writing an occasional informational column in the Citizen. Last week's column by Kelly was awesome. It's great to see the town giving updates on current events and various projects. It's a real bonus for the citizens. With everybody's busy schedules, it is hard to make all the different meetings. Now folks can get a quick update on town events. Thanks to Christine Landes, Bethel's new Town Manager, for starting her biweekly informational column. It's all good stuff!

I see that the new road committee has revisited the possibility of putting up a sand-shed for the town residents. It was brought up last year by resident Brad Wight to the Selectboard. At that time the Board did a little research, but there wasn't any push from the citizens, so the idea was dropped. I think it would be great. Most towns have a place where their citizens can get a little sand for their walkways and such. We used to be able to go to the state shed for sand, but they seem to be all done with that program. So good luck - let's hope it can happen for this year.

Congratulations to three graduates from Newry: Devon Berry, Allison Leigh Corey, and Kyler Walker. Great job and good luck in your future endeavors.

The Newry Planning Board is still looking for a member. Call the Town Office and sign up!

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



It is so nice to see all the flowers that are in bloom right now. My garden has several different colors of iris and lots of yellow day lilies, just to mention a couple of varieties.

My brother, Steve McLain, stopped somewhere along Route 2 on his way to Gilead last Saturday to take a picture of the beautiful lupines that are growing beside the road. These are a result of the road construction a few years ago. The state seeded the sides of the road and included lupines.

Lise McLain attended the Bethel Senior Citizens meeting and luncheon last Wednesday at the Locke's Mills Union Church.

Bob and Judy Bishop were in town last week to help out at the Gilead Historical Society.

Hugh and I attended the 5th grade graduation for our granddaughter, Sidney Chapman. She is moving on from Ed Fenn Elementary School to the middle school in Gorham, N.H.

Gilead Historical Society

The GHS will be holding their annual event, Friends and Family Day, this coming Saturday, June 20. Details are listed in the Community Calendar. The speaker of the day is Wayne Peabody, who has detailed information on how the Peabody family came from England and settled in America. The members of this family settled Gilead in the late 1700s as Peabody's Patent before it became the Town of Gilead in 1804. This is a public event, so stop by, have lunch and tour the historic buildings. There are several displays set up and one in particular profiles the Peabody family.

Town of Gilead
The school budget meeting for Gilead was held last Wednesday evening at 5:30 p.m. There was a total of 10 registered voters who showed up at the meeting. The Town of Gilead tuitions students to SAD 44; so there is a separate process from the SAD 44 budget referendum to raise funds for Gilead. The amount raised for the school budget this year was \$254,117. This is \$15,000 more than last year's amount.

The total amount of appropriations for the regular budget raised in March was \$192,574, so the total amount raised this year is \$446,661, which is \$35,394 more than last year's total.

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The selectmen met for their regular monthly meeting after the school budget meeting. Notes from the meeting appear separately.

There will be a public hearing on July 26 at 6 p.m. at the Town Hall. The subject for discussion, at the request of the fire department, is regarding the purchase of a used fire truck and equipment. The approximate amount needed is \$23,000. This hearing is being held for residents to attend and get the facts regarding this purchase. Residents will be informed as to why and how this equipment will be purchased. Also, what effect there will be on real estate taxes. If it is deemed necessary, there will be a special town meeting at a later held date to take a formal vote on this purchase.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

Mason

By RICHARD GROVER



Last weekend was a stressful one for me. The memorial service for brother Stanley was held in South Paris at 9 a.m. At 11 a.m. there was a committal service at Riverside Cemetery, Bethel, for Raymond Bradley, a very good friend who was our summertime minister in West Bethel when I was a teenager going to church there.

Then the funeral service for Avery Angevine, a longtime member of Bethel American Legion Post 81, was held at Bethel Alliance Church at 1 p.m. I was a member of the American Legion honor guard for that service. On Sunday afternoon I attended a meeting of the Oxford County Voiture 613 unit of the 40 & 8, a veteran offshoot of the American Legion, at the South Paris Veterans Home.

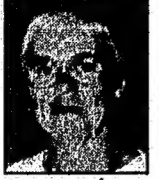
On Monday, the nest of flycatcher birds, which is atop a ceiling light in my barn, fledged and literally "flew the coop." Actually, this was a blessing because I no longer have to cover my Kubota to protect it from bird poop! I discovered the babies missing when I brought the tractor back to the barn after splitting wood. I think the rustling of the tarp when I pulled it off the tractor that morning must have disturbed them.

I also did my part to make it rain on Monday when I set up my sprinkler system of hoses and sprinkler heads in the garden and gave it a good soaking. The trouble with that is that it gives the weeds another shot in the arm, so I'll have to get the tiller and the hoe out to try to contain the weeds and grass.

Why is it that it takes so much work to raise a few veggies to try to have a diet free of some of the additives in our store-bought food? We love our peas, beans, corn, tomatoes and squash too much to quit!

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



Judith Grover Tent 17 DUVCW met at the Grange Hall for a regular meeting.

Marybeth Hoover served as Chaplain and Elsie Bonney as guide. Plans were discussed for the 200th celebration of the Town of Woodstock. We will be selling snacks on the library lawn. It was reported that nine members attended the parade and program in Greenwood, one in Bethel and 16 attended the one here in town. Memorial Day expenses were reported. Delegate and alternate for convention were appointed. Convention is June 26 at Waterford. President Vicki Myers read articles that happened on this date in history the year of 1865. Twenty-seven calls were reported. Marybeth received the mystery package.

The Whitman Memorial Library program for June is today, June 18 at 2 p.m. Diane York, Master Gardener, will talk on Early New England gardening. This goes along with the flower contest for the Bicentennial. The public is invited at no charge. Light refreshments. The library will be selling pies and having a book sale at the Bicentennial.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens



The Telstar Middle School Leadership Committee went shopping at Wal Mart for donations to Responsible Pet Care in South Paris with \$950 that they earned fundraising.

had their June meeting at Northland's Restaurant in Berlin, N.H. Next meeting, July 2, will be at the Grange Hall in Bryant Pond with the Grange serving the dinner.

Larry Billings says he is reading a book he got at the Bethel Library, "How Paris became Paris." He has been all over Europe and visited the greatest museums in the world. He thinks the Woodstock Historical Society could have two great museums.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service. This Sunday will be Old-Fashioned Sunday. Pastor Jeff Faggart will be speaking. He will be here Monday through Wednesday each evening at 6:30 p.m. Plan to attend Old-Fashioned Sunday and dress up, if you wish, in old-fashioned clothes. Sunday, June 28, pastor Matthew Jones will hold a service at the Newry Community Church at 3:30 p.m.

Remember Woodstock celebrates 200 years on Saturday, June 20. Parade at 11 a.m., BBQ chicken dinner at 12:30, but directly after the parade there will be a short program at the library lawn. Greetings from Rick Bennett, Woodstock poem by Beth Emerson, Woodstock Song by Bloom from the Baptist Church. Open House at the library, Grange, Historical Society, Fire Station. All with goodies to sell. Daughters of Union Veterans on the library lawn. Come join the fun.

Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



Sorry I did not file my column last week.

I got the days mixed up. By the time I realized it, it was too late. In any case, today is Monday, June 15, and at 4:30 I have already done a day's work. Now it is on to cook supper and begin the evening's work.

It has finally stopped raining for the time being. I think it may start again. I spent most of today at Bridgton hospital just having tests done.

They were full and everything was backed up. I have never had to wait an hour to have blood work done before.

Then I had to go back hours later for the dreaded mammogram and a bone density test. WHEW! I found out I had lost 20 pounds since my last bone density. Not too bad. In between I visited a friend and went to Tai Chi. Now I am here doing this.

Thursday, June 18, AARP will hold a driver safety course from 1 to 5 at the Bear Mountain Grange Hall. Cost is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. FMI please call 583-4490. That usually means money off on your insurance.

Friday, June 19, 10 a.m. at the Waterford Library there is a coffee hour. Come and meet friends. FMI: 583-2050.

Friday, June 19 at 10:30

a.m. at Norway Library, Music and Movement is offered. FMI: 743-6309.

Saturday, June 27, "Early Bird Gets the Worm" craft/vendor yard sale hosted by the Progress Center. It will feature vendors from Pampered Chef, Scentsy, Origami Owl and Tree Works.

FMI please call the Progress Center at: 743-8049 ext. 266.

Waterford Farmers Market is going strong on Mondays from 2 to 6 p.m. Hopefully it will stop raining on them. There is a lot of great stuff there. I bought some really great food.

I am still looking for a housemate to assist with rent, chores, etc. Interested people can call 743-0583. Early morning is best time to reach me.

Anyone interested in having me add their happenings to this column can reach me at 743-0583.

That is all for this week. Have a great week.

So. Woodstock

By LOLALEE DILLINGHAM



Monday, June 15

A rainy, damp day with temperature of 62.3 degrees and cool, so I got the fireplace on for a little heat.

A great day for baking so I decided to bake off a batch of pineapple cookies and while they are cooling I put banana bread in the oven to bake off.

Now to settle down and get my weekly column written and get it sent off to the office.

Mark your calendars for this Saturday, June 20. Woodstock is celebrating its Bicentennial (1815-2015).

Events begin at 8:30 a.m. at the Masonic Hall. Coffee, bottled water and doughnuts will be served from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Chicken BBQ right after the parade beginning at 12:30 p.m. Open House and music by the Shadagee Ramblers.

The parade will line up at the Ball field/grandstand area at 10 a.m. and will

proceed through town to the Town Office.

Please be sure to stop by the Library to hear Rick Bennett.

Rick will bring Greetings from Gov. Paul LePage. Activities at the Library throughout the day will include a Pie Sale, Book Sale, light refreshments, Souvenir Sales, Flower Judging contest, WES children's games, Daughters of Union Veteran's Display.

Activities at the Fire Station throughout the day will include Stevens' Mills Artifacts, Hand Tub Display, Genealogy banner, Popcorn, etc.

The Grange Hall will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

At the post office Cancellation Stamp in Honor of the Bicentennial. At Goddess Robes there will be a sale of Bicentennial T-shirts.

Beginning at 8 p.m. at the Ballfield and grandstand the Old Timers ball game and hot dogs and soda will be served by the Fire Department.

On the common at the Gazebo at 6 p.m. (Post Office parking lot) Lolalee and Paula will be playing your favorite country songs with a sing-along with the public including some Patriotic all-time favorites until 8 p.m.

Bring along your favorite folding chair, a blanket and a picnic supper and visit with your neighbors, family and friends.

Be sure to visit the Woodstock Historical Society and see the Bryant Pond Telephone Switchboard and other great memorabilia from Woodstock's past.

Check out the display of vehicles from the good old days at the home of Sterling Mills on Rumford Avenue.

At 9 p.m. there will be a Fireworks Display at the Hooper Farm. Come join in on this very special event.

Birthday wishes to all that are celebrating this week.

Well, that's all from the valley this week.

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Community Calendar

THURSDAY, JUNE 18

Early New England Gardening Program; 2 p.m., Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Master Gardener Diane York will present a program about gardening in early New England and will also be promoting a flower contest as part of Woodstock's Bicentennial Celebration that will be taking place on Saturday, June 20. The program is open to the public at no charge and light refreshments will be served.

Breau's Too Cruise Night; 5:30 to 7:30, Breau's Too parking lot, Bryant Pond. FMI: 665-2554.

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

Woodstock Bicentennial Celebration; 8:30 a.m., Bryant Pond Village.

Ellis River Riders Versatility Clinic; 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., 78 Airport Road, Andover. \$50 per participant. Parking and spectator admission is free. FMI: www.ellisriverriders.com.

Woodstock Historical Society Bicentennial Hours; 9 to 10 a.m. and 1 to 5 p.m. All members are invited to meet on Thursday and Friday (June 18 and 19) at 6:30 to assemble the WHS parade float.

Donn Fendler at Maine Wildlife Park; 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Maine Wildlife Park, Gray. Meet and greet Donn Fendler, famous for becoming lost on Mount Katahdin for nearly two weeks in 1939 and writing the book "Lost on a Mountain in Maine."

Public Crock Pot Potluck Lunch; 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Gilead Town Hall. Adults/\$7, Children (5-7 yrs.)/\$3, under 5/free. Hot and Cold main dishes and a variety of desserts. Guest Speaker at 1 p.m., Wayne Peabody, "1635-The Peabody Family's Journey to America." Followed by stories from other Peabody family members. Historic buildings will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. FMI: Gilead Historical Society, Lin Chapman 207-836-2987 or chapmal@hotmail.com

BBQ Chicken Dinner; Masonic Building, 36 South Main Street, Bryant Pond - part of the Woodstock Bicentennial Celebration. BBQ chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, cranberry sauce. Beverages available for sale. \$8/adults, \$5/children 12 and under. Shadagee Ramblers providing music. Dine indoors or outside under the tent. FMI: Charlie (461-4334), E.C. (744-9322), Bill (312-9197).

Maine Clean Elections House Party; 4 to 5:30 p.m., Crescent Park School cafeteria, Bethel. An MCCIE organizer will attend, providing handouts and information. Sen. John Patrick may be able to attend the second party and was elected with the help of public campaign funds. Light refreshment will be provided. FMI/RSVP: Seabury Lyon (sslyon@megalink.net or 207-381-0068).

Maine Master Fiddler Erica Brown and the Bluegrass Connection; 7:30 p.m., Deertrees Theatre, 156 Deertrees Road, Harrison. Tickets: \$15. Call 207-761-1757 or go online at <http://www.deertreestheatre.org>. Band info at: <http://www.ericabrownonline.com/index.php/?page=bands>.

An Evening with Deborah Henson-Conant; 8 p.m., Celebration Barn Theater, 190 Stock Farm Road, South Paris. Grammy-nominated electric harp virtuoso with a wicked sense of humor, a gutsy set of vocal cords, and theatrical flair! Tickets are \$25 adults and \$22 seniors and kids. Purchase Tickets at <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/1586099>.

SUNDAY, JUNE 21

Upton Ladies Aid Father's Day Breakfast; 8 a.m. at the Ladies Aid Building.

Ellis River Riders Versatility Trail Challenge; 9 a.m., 78 Airport Road, Andover. \$25 per participant. Parking and spectator admission is free. FMI: www.ellisriverriders.com.

Finnish-American Heritage Society Meeting; 2 p.m., 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Following a short business meeting, Jim and Maggie Lowell will present highlights of their trip to Finland with Anita Smiley's tour. The public is invited to attend and share the coffee table. As an added bonus, 2016 calendars will be available!

MONDAY, JUNE 22

SeniorsPlus; 1 to 4 p.m., Fryeburg Library. Representatives will be on hand to answer any questions or concerns you may have about services and resources for older adults and adults with disabilities and their families. Free and open to the public. FMI/Appointments: 1-800-427-1241.

TUESDAY, JUNE 23

Free Senior Resource Fair; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Norway Fire Department. Free cook-out style lunch, giveaways, speakers. FMI: Lauren Dembski (743-9777).

Public Supper; 5 to 6:30 p.m., North Waterford Congregational Church, Route 35, opposite Melby's. All you can eat - homemade casseroles, baked beans, salads and gingerbread for dessert. Adults/\$8, children under 12/\$4. All are welcome!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

Community Supper (No Charge); 4:30 to 6 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from Telstar parking lot). Call 207-824-2289 for more information.

THURSDAY, JUNE 25

SeniorsPlus Long-Distance Learning Event; 1 to 2:20 p.m., West Paris Library. "Some Easy to Swallow Information, Part 2!" a long-distance learning seminar on issues connecting to the lower GI: Stomach and gastrointestinal tract, with internist Dr. Alan Verrill. Free with pre-registration - call 1-800-427-1241.

Jed Wilson Concert; 7:30 p.m., Brick Church for the Performing Arts, Christian Hill Road, Lovell. Admission: \$10/adults, \$5/children 12 and under. Refreshments served. FMI: www.lovellbrickchurch.org or 207-925-1500.

SATURDAY, JUNE 27

Locke Mills Union Church Strawberry Festival; 7:30 a.m. Come by early for Belgian waffles, shortcake, sundaes, strawberries, pies, baked goods, and trinkets and treasures.

"Early Bird Gets the Worm" Craft/Vendor/Yard Sale; 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hosted by the Progress Center. In addition to the yard sale the event will feature vendors from Pampered Chef, Scentsy, Origami Owl and Tree Works. The Progress Center is a non-profit agency that provides support services to adults and children with developmental, intellectual and physical disabilities. FMI: 743-8049 ext. 266.

Bethel Rotary's Annual Yard Sale and Auction; Telstar High School, Bethel. Yard sale opens at 8 a.m. Auction preview at 5:30 followed by the auction at 6:30 p.m. To donate items, please contact (207) 653-9297. Gift certificates, furniture, antiques and treasures at the auction. Proceeds benefit Rotary's scholarship program, local community projects and more. FMI: www.bethelrotary.org.

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

Responsible Pet Care's 3rd Annual Fun Dog Day; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fundraising walk registration starts at 10 a.m. Dog show and games, water park, pup tent with kids' activities, working dog demos, food, vendor and educational booths. FMI: 743-7307 or www.rpc.petfinder.com.

Reopening of Newry Community Church; 3:30 p.m., under the leadership of Pastor Matthew Jones.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

Bethel Senior Citizens Reservation Deadline; Last day to make reservations for the July meeting/luncheon. See July 8 listing for details.

Greenwood Historical Society Meeting; 7 p.m., GHS building, Locke's Mills. A program will be presented on three of Greenwood's more interesting early residents: Eleazer Cole, presented by his great-grandson Blaine Mills; Sockalexis Newell, presented by his grandson Owen Melville; and the Greenwood Town Hermit Benny Wells, a.k.a. Blaine Mills interviewed by Oxford County Reporter Jack Quinn, a.k.a. Jim Bennett. Everyone welcome.

JULY 3 AND 4

River Rock Festival; Sunday River, Newry. Hosted by Maine's own Lee Goldberg, the River Rock Festival welcomes some of the biggest names in contemporary Christian music, including Grammy winners Switchfoot, hitmakers Kutless, and American Music Award (AMA) recipients The Afters. Also on the roster: American Idol third place finalist Danny Gokey, AMA- and Grammy-nominee Jeremy Camp, Jonathan Thulin, Phil Wickham, and musicians Hawk Nelson who reached #1 in VH1's Top 20 Video Countdown with "The One Thing I Have Left." Onsite lodging packages start at \$99 for this two-day festival, which includes Fourth of July fireworks and a celebrity autograph tent so everyone can have a chance to rub elbows with the very musicians they will see on stage. Sunday River will be open for summer operations, and there will be plenty of time for mountain biking, zipline tours, rock climbing, and scenic lift rides on the resort's signature Chondola. FMI: sundayriver.com/river-rock-festival.

FRIDAY, JULY 3

Danna Brown Nickerson Photo Exhibition Opening; 5 to 7 p.m., Mill Hill Inn, Bethel. The exhibition will run through October.

SATURDAY, JULY 4

11th Annual Shy, Novice & Closeted Art Show; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 18 High Street, Bethel (directly behind Key Bank), rain or shine. This show supports shy, novice and closeted artist of our community, providing the opportunity and encouragement to show their work(s) of art. To participate call 824-3889 or go to www.facebook.com/shyartshow

Bethel Art Fair; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Bethel Common. Paintings, weavings, sculptures, wood carvings, glass art, gourmet preserves, handmade jewelry and more. Works by 2015 Artists of Honor, Melody and Garrett Bonnema, will be on display at Gould Academy's Owen Art Gallery from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. FMI: www.mahoosucarts.org.

Community Picnic/Portland Brass Quintet Concert; 11:30 a.m. on the side lawn of the Dr. Moses Mason House (14 Broad Street). Bring a lunch and after the presentation of colors and the National Anthem, enjoy a free two-hour concert by the Portland Brass Quintet.

Ellis River Riders Open Show; 9 a.m., 78 Airport Road, Andover. Participant fees: \$5 per class (members), \$7 per class (non-members), \$1 number fee, \$3 replacement number fee, \$6 trophy fee, \$10 Registration fee (waived with early online registration). Parking and spectator admission is free. Food booth open. FMI: www.ellisriverriders.com.

SUNDAY, JULY 5

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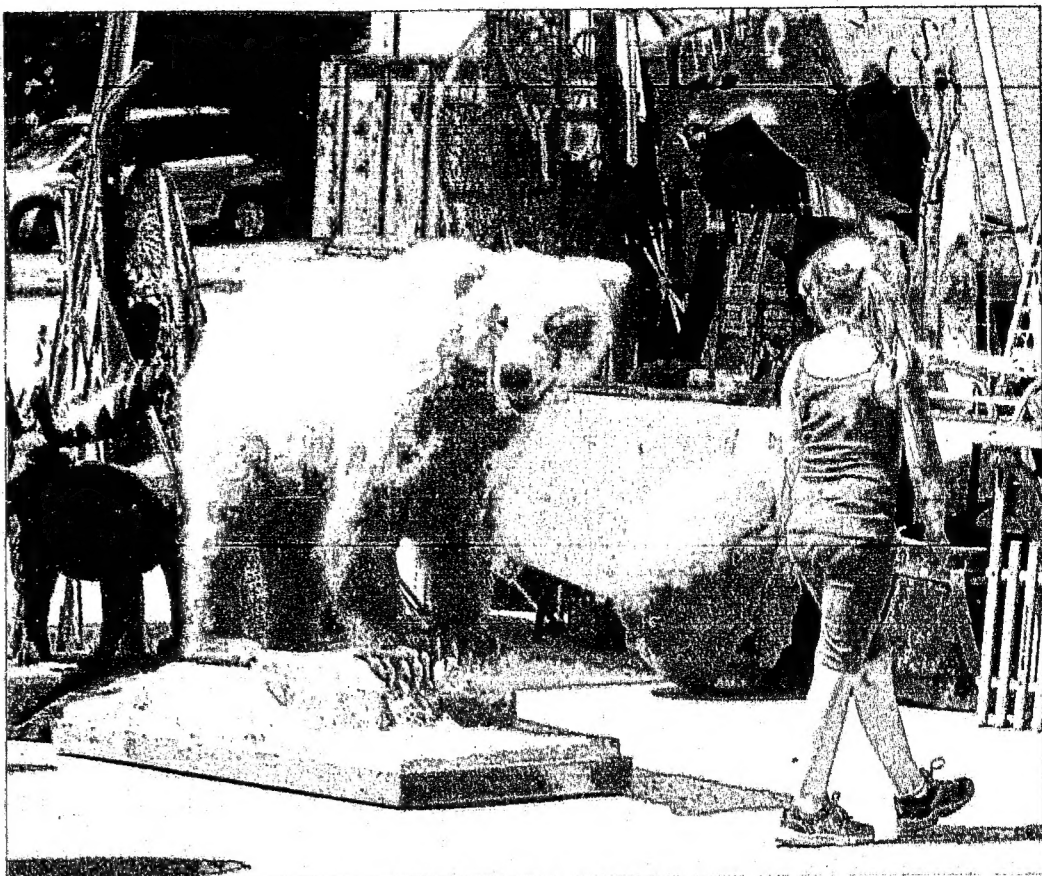
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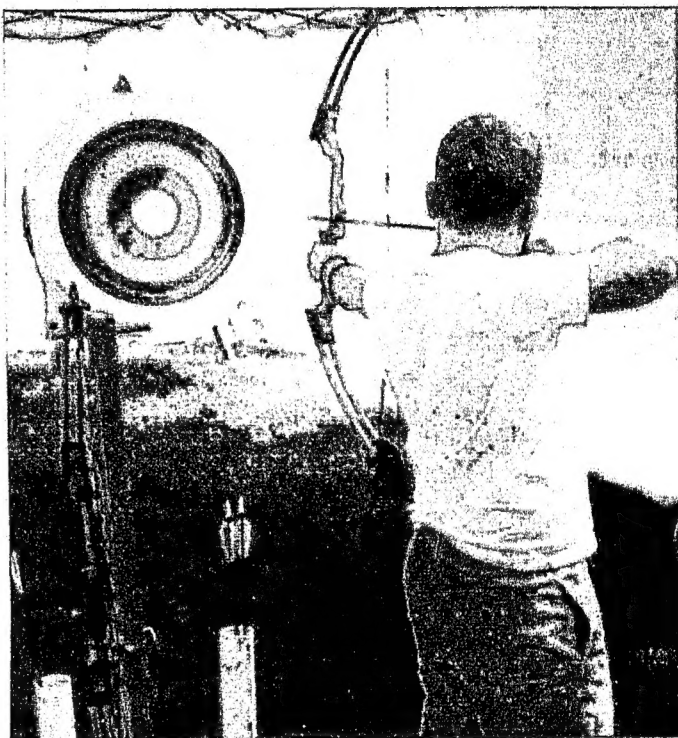
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Bethel Maine Moose Festival 2015



The Bethel Maine Moose Festival filled the Common with people on Saturday, many of whom came to learn if their name had been drawn for one of 2,740 moose hunting permits for this year. On Friday evening the Mallett Brothers provided musical entertainment, and on Saturday vendors and demonstrations took over ahead of the start of the 3 p.m. drawing. Clockwise, from left: a blood tracking dog watches the crowd as a presenter describes the tracking process; a girl eyes a large stuffed bear on Main Street; a young man tries his hand at archery in the "Kids' Fun Zone;" a boy gets a lesson in fly fishing from Trout Unlimited; Maine Game Wardens from the cast of TV's North Woods Law" walk up Broad Street, where they fielded many requests for photos; Mandy Berry tends her dad's booth on the Common; the scene on the Common late morning.



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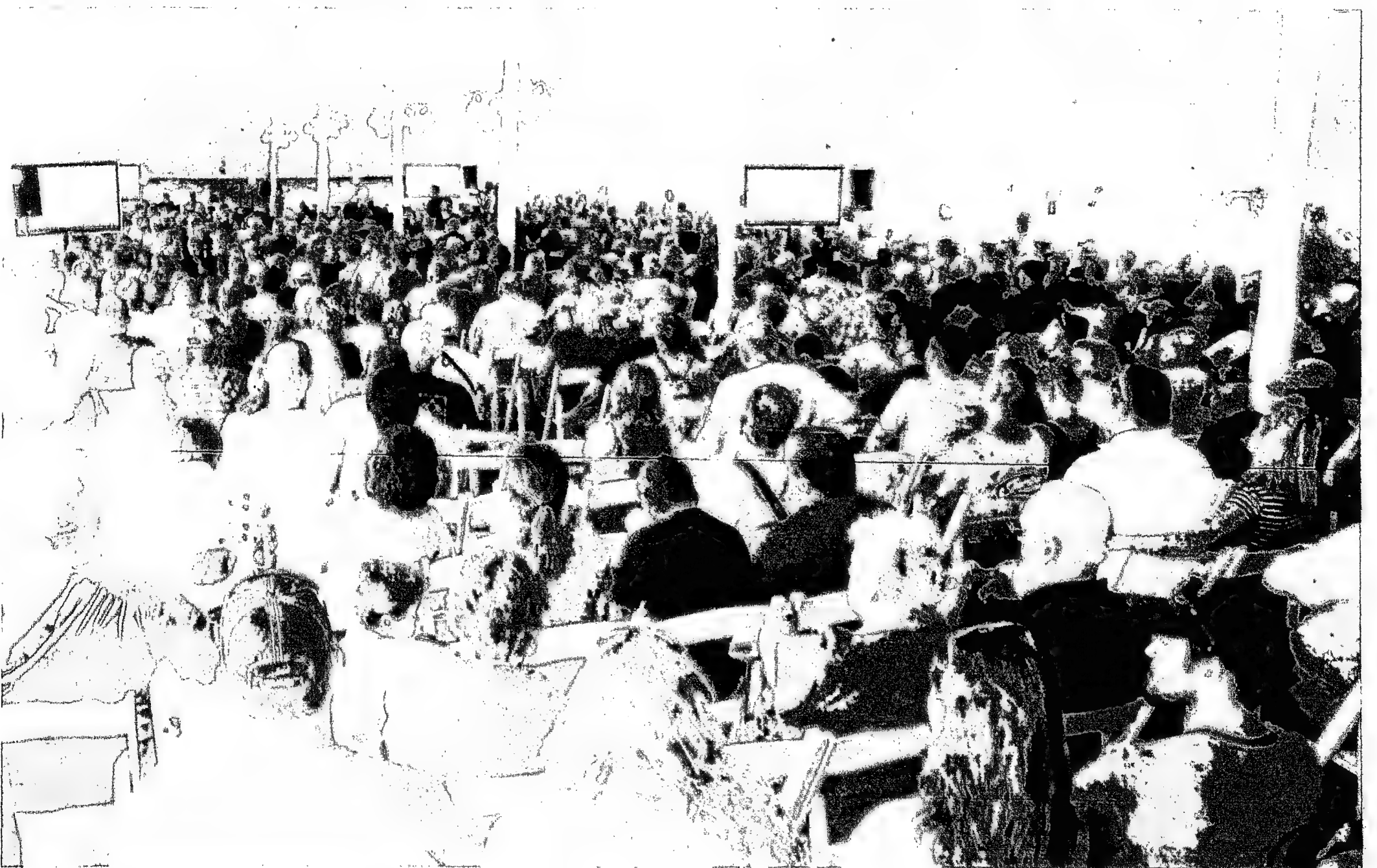
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Clockwise, from above: A moose-calling contestant demonstrates his skills at the microphone; a boy poses as a moose on the gazebo; one of several large screens showing the names of lucky hunters who had their names drawn in the lottery; (next two photos) hunters watch the screens and listen as the names were read from 3 to 7 p.m. Robin Zinchuk, executive director of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, was asked about the size of the crowd and the impact on local business. She said it was difficult to come up with a crowd estimate. "Previous festival organizers told us to expect 5,000, and I think that might be the best guess. Logistics were smooth and the festival created a lot of new business to the area. There were a few businesses that had hoped to see more business, but overall the festival had a positive economic impact on the area."

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ALA Bike Trek is this weekend

For the past 31 years, the Lung Association's Trek Across Maine has drawn in hundreds (and now, thousands) of cyclists to ride 180 miles over three days from Bethel to Belfast. This year over 2,000 riders and more than 600 volunteers will work together to support the American Lung Association of the Northeast's research, education, and advocacy efforts to prevent lung disease and promote lung health.

No matter what the weather or riding conditions, Trekkers are upbeat, enthusiastic and looking forward to enjoying the beautiful towns and scenery across Cen-

tral Maine. Bringing so many bicyclists, support vehicles, medical vehicles and police escorts through the small towns of Maine can cause traffic delays and congestion on the roads.

The Trek is always on Father's Day weekend, which falls on June 19 through June 21 this year. It starts at Sunday River and winds its way through Rumford, Norridgewock, Farmington, Waterville and finally Belfast. Along the way, some areas experience more traffic slowdowns than others. Law enforcement officers will be positioned at all major intersections where Trek riders have to cross traf-

fic. There will also be motorcycle officers and state police vehicles driving the Trek route to ensure the safety of motorists and Trek cyclists.

The American Lung Association is asking local drivers and residents for their support, patience, and extra care as the cyclists make their way from Sunday River through or near your town. Local drivers play a key role in making the Trek safe and fun for everyone. We appreciate the cooperation we have always received, and ask for your patience and care again this year. Please slow down and share the road with families, friends and neighbors.

Bethel Senior Citizens meet

The Bethel Senior Citizens Club met June 10 at the Locke Mills Union Church for meeting and dinner with 45 members present. Vice-president Lise McLain conducted the meeting. The salute to the flag was followed by singing "God Bless America". The prayer was given by Joan Cole.

Reports were given by

Arlene Lowell and Becky Keen. Becky Keen won the raffle and Joe Shimamura the door prize.

The next meeting will be July 8 at the Bethel Alliance Church. Meeting starts at 11 a.m. Reservations must be made before July 1 by calling Arlene Lowell at 824-2877 or Becky Keen at 890-5267. Price of meal is \$10.

The summer bus trip was discussed and members had some new ideas. There is still time to buy tickets for the painting.

There are a few members who have not paid their dues.

June birthdays are: Sandra Beaupre, Doris Fraser, Barbara Gallant, Ronald Meserve, Beverly Warner and Edleen Winslow.

Greenwood City memories

By Colista Morgan

Apple blossoms

I took a stroll through the apple orchards in full bloom. I walked to the far corner and highest spot. In the background was the quiet sky and everything shining with beauty.

In the valley below shadows rose and the mountains stood out afar - alone seeming to bolster up the sky while a few fluffy clouds kissed their brows.

All around the bright, delicate buds and blossoms, that could resist either rain or wind, blended with the pale green shoots. The exuberant richness of the blossoms and the gaily humming hosts of insects gathering nectar is indescribable. I just breathed in the sunshine as they hummed "sum-mer, sum-mer."

I moved from the upper orchard to a lower one across the highway. Here the fragrance of apple blossoms mingled with the wild cherry, rich and sweet while under foot bloomed the wild strawberries.

The hills sang with color and scent and sound. Such a scene pulls at the heart strings and one remembers the flashes of beauty always.

Everything that I saw delighted my senses and spoke to my imagination.

This was truly a day when waters danced and sparkled, and new leaves shone in the sun. The clouds soft and delicate were there in a sky so blue. The sun, flowers, birds and bees all explained what the poet Lowell meant when he wrote, "And what is so rare as a day in June."

- Summer 1969

Churches welcome new minister

The churches of North Waterford and Stoneham are excited to have a new minister, Rev. Earl Rogers, of South Paris leading their summer services.

Rev. Rogers is a 2006 graduate of Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. In 2010 he graduated from Juniata College in Pennsylvania with a B.A. degree in Religious Studies, and then graduated from Andover-Newton Divinity School, Massachusetts, in 2013. He has been employed at

an Ed Tech at Oxford Hills Middle School, working with Special Education students in the Essential Skills program, where he provides classroom support (in all subjects), as well as teaching computer skills.

But his audience can tell immediately: he belongs in the pulpit, and his messages are genial as well as uplifting.

Church members have also enjoyed meeting Rev. Rogers' wife, Erica, who hails from Pennsylvania.

College sweethearts, the couple met while playing in the college band; Rev. Rogers played tuba, while his wife played clarinet and tenor sax.

Church services for the remainder of June will be held at 10 a.m. in the Stoneham Church on Route 5 in Stoneham. During July and August, church services will be held at 9 a.m. in the North Waterford Church, Route 35, opposite Melby's. All are welcome!

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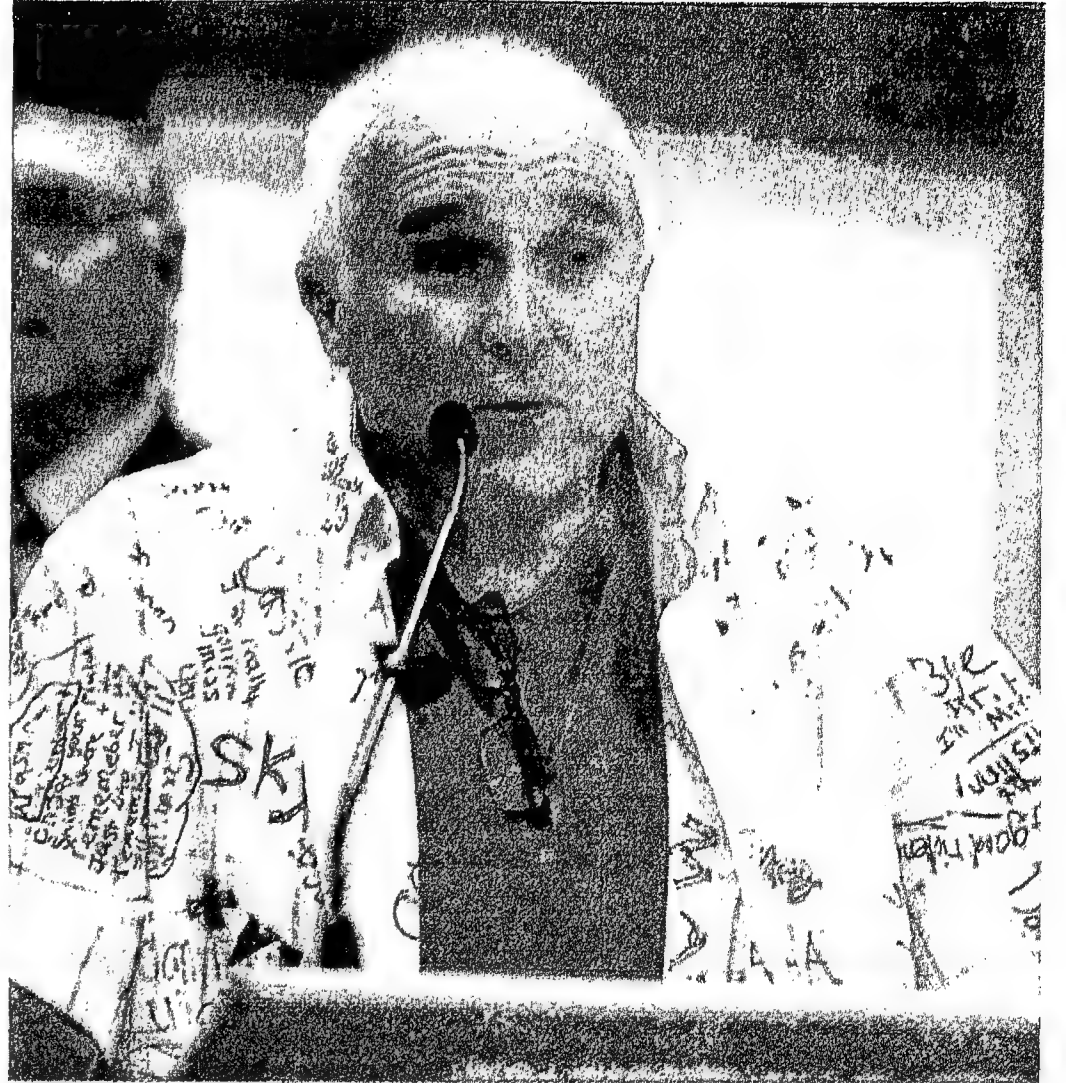
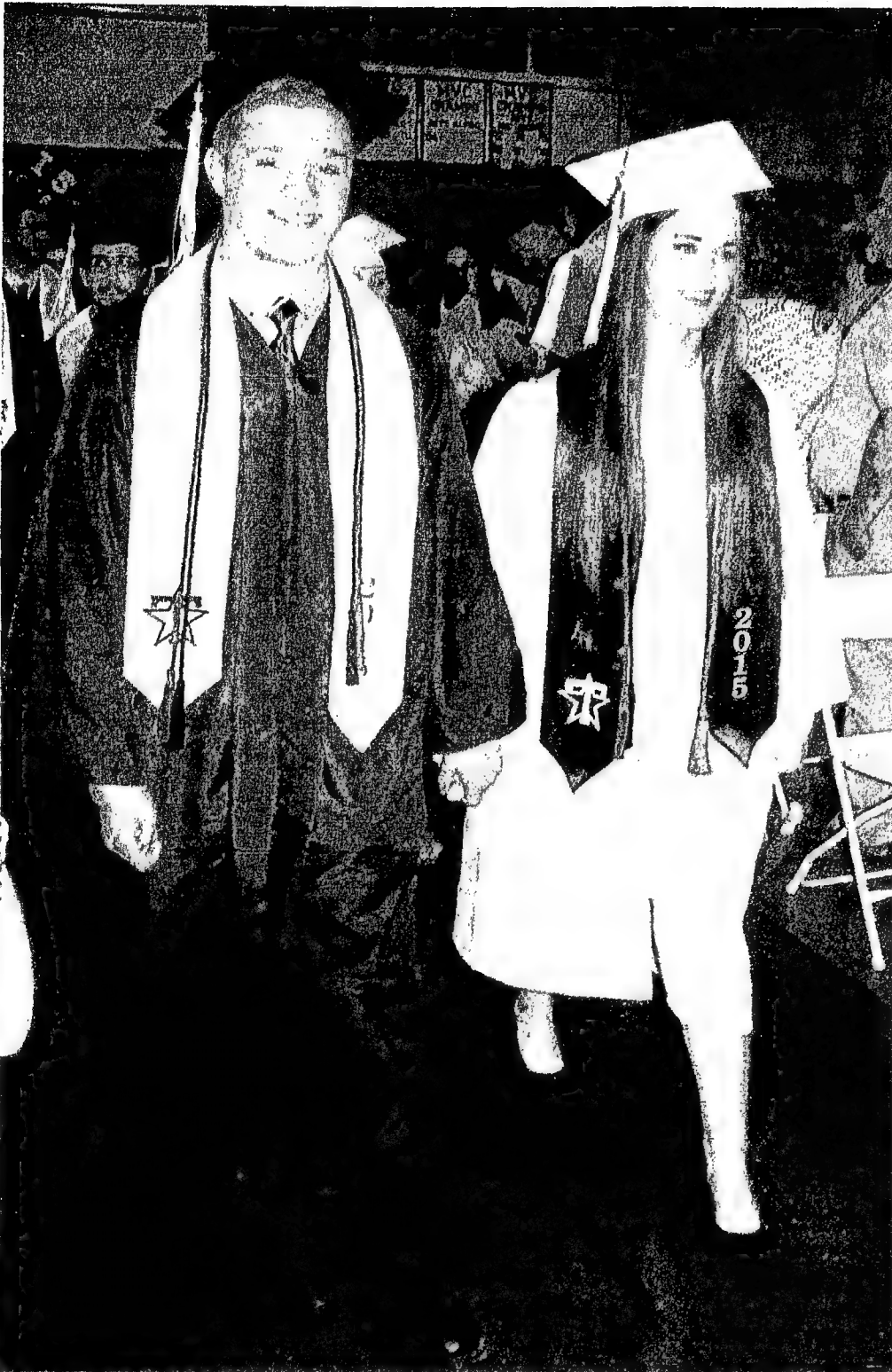
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Telstar Regional High School held its Commencement for the Class of 2015 Friday. Clockwise, from left: Ryan Vail and Sadie Ellsworth march into the gymnasium; speaker Lenny Hoy sports the signed shirt the class gave him for his retirement, when they had him as a sixth-grade teacher; boys in the class (front: saluatorian Liam Gallagher, with Maverik Griffin immediately behind him) sing the class song "Here I Go Again," by White Snake.



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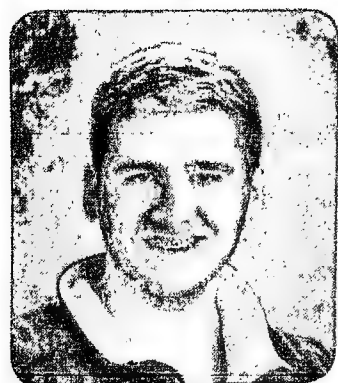
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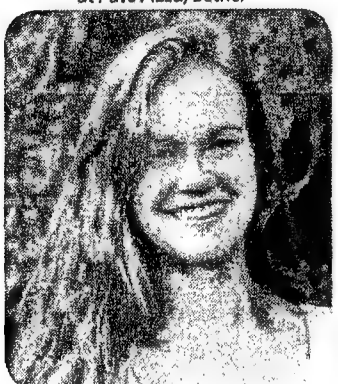
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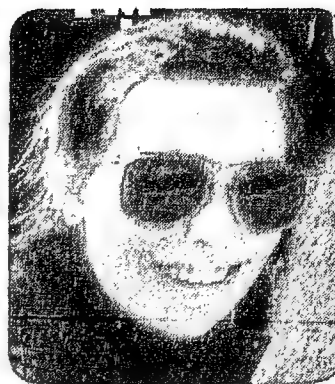
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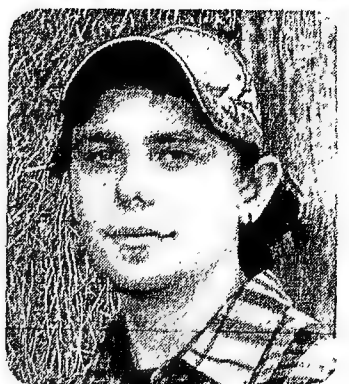
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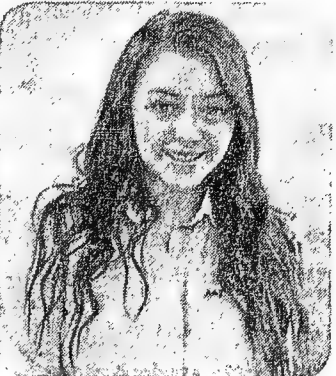
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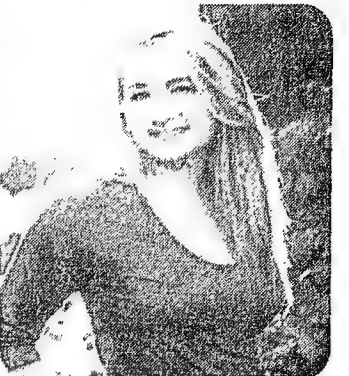
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Attending University of Idaho at Moscow
Major: Interior Design



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Attending Central Maine Community College, Auburn, Maine
Major: General Studies



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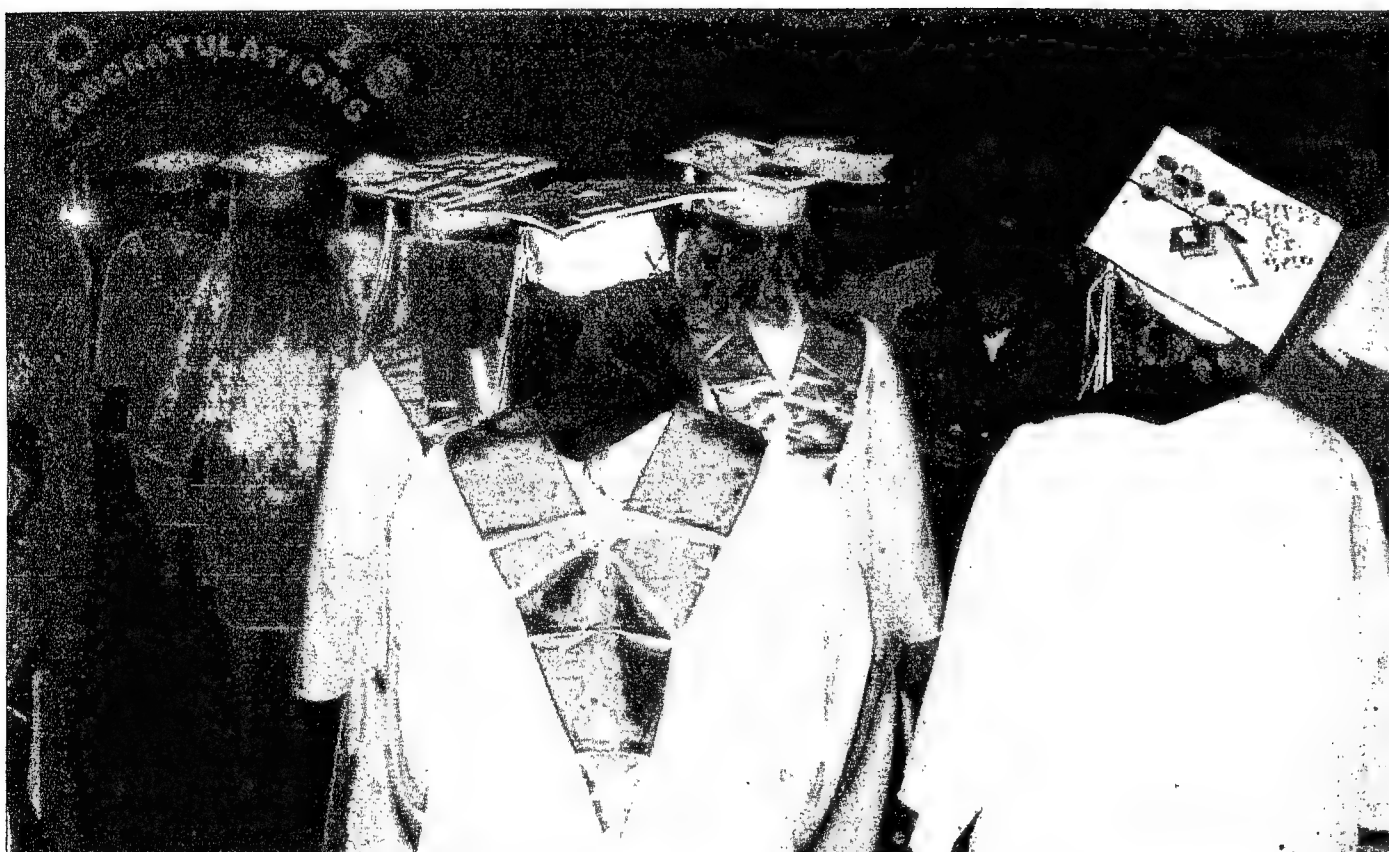
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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - IT'S A STORY

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **Why is a garden like a story?**

- ACCOUNT
- ADVENTURE
- ANECDOTE
- DIARY
- EPIC
- FIB
- JOURNAL
- LEGEND
- LIE
- MEMOIR
- MYSTERY
- NOVEL
- RECORD
- REVIEW
- SAGA
- TALE
- YARN

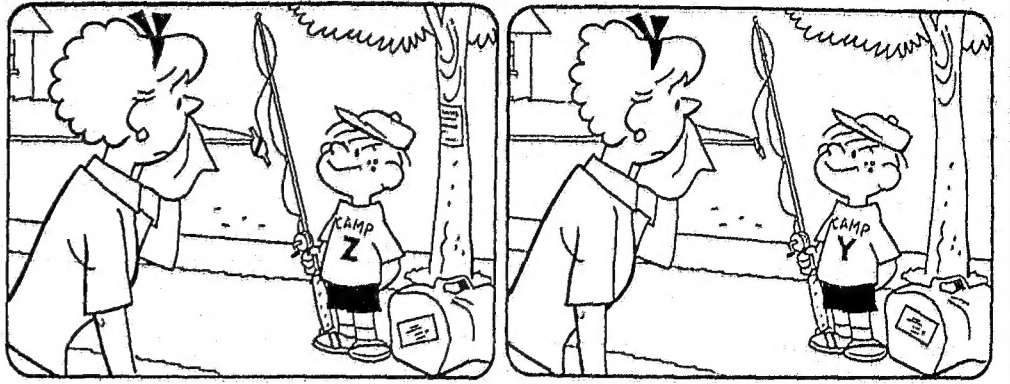
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Riddle answer: _____

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Hair is different. 2. Arm is smaller. 3. Bobber on fishing pole is moved. 4. Letter on shirt different. 5. Poster on tree is missing. 6. Luggage tag is moved.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: O equals I

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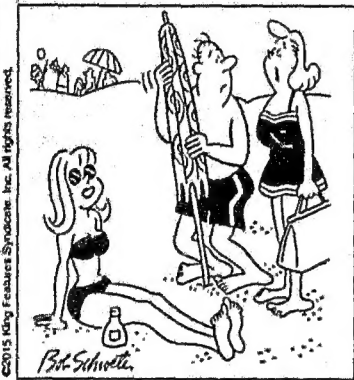
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Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!



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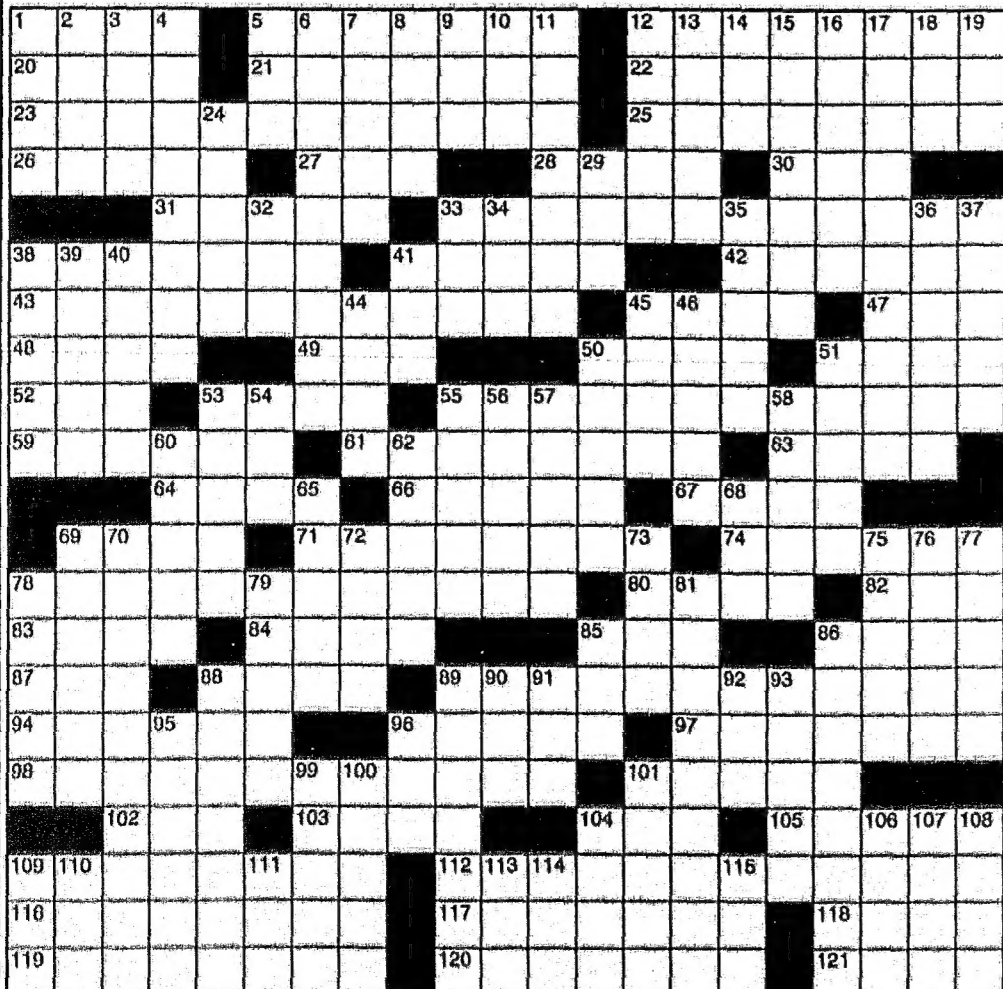
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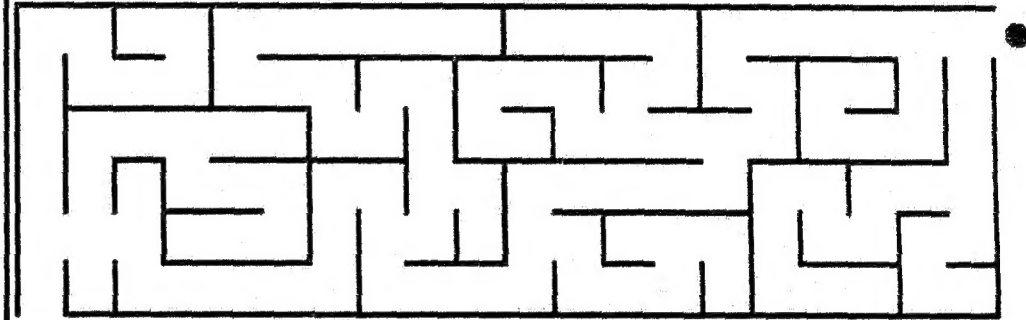
Super Crossword

VOWEL LANGUAGE

- ACROSS
- 1 Painter of limp watches
 - 5 By the day, as payment
 - 12 "It doesn't matter"
 - 20 Moran of "Happy Days"
 - 21 The tiniest bit
 - 22 Hot pepper
 - 23 Group of wolves
 - 24 decide which hockey disk to use?
 - 25 Brought upon oneself
 - 26 USNA frosh
 - 27 "Miz"
 - 28 Bring in
 - 30 Moniker, in Marcellus
 - 31 Mervyn of film
 - 33 Misplaced the most recent catalog?
 - 38 Sun circles
 - 41 Braga of film
 - 42 Nervous —
 - 43 Notice folks quarreling about a skwer?
 - 45 Kind of latte
 - 47 Sports writer Pasquaroli
 - 48 Name of 12 popes
 - 49 Folksy denial
 - 50 Parisian "to be"
 - 51 Actor Robert De —
 - 52 Six-legged scurrier
 - 53 Gift add-ons
 - 55 Farm structure is built in Switzerland's capital?
 - 59 Liam of "Neil"
 - 61 Raises up
 - 63 Yemen's largest city
 - 64 — time (never)
 - 66 Give a big speech
 - 67 Baseball Hall of Famer Waite —
 - 69 Preside
 - 71 Students
 - 74 To no avail
 - 78 Put a clump of tree-trunk greenery in disarray?
 - 80 Bath powder
 - 82 Philosopher Lao —
 - 83 Optic layer
 - 84 Throw easily
 - 85 Paddle's kin
 - 86 Stuff in ale
 - 87 Rev's talk
 - 88 City on I-80
 - 89 Group working on a jackdaw's gullet?
 - 94 Slate clearer
 - 96 Miller rival
 - 97 Optometrist
 - 98 Knock out a pier-dwelling mallard?
 - 101 "— good you let him know!"
 - 102 "My country, —"
 - 103 Lock fastener
 - 104 Plant seeds
 - 105 Shuts noisily
 - 109 Preserve
 - 112 Exited the elevator to the high-ceilinged
 - 116 How keyless music is written
 - 117 Quito locale
 - 118 Like — of sunshine
 - 119 Little jaunt on a little horse
 - 120 Cyclone
 - 121 Where Coca-Cola is "KO"
 - 2 Central Asia's — Sea
 - 3 Pooh pests
 - 4 Rorschach test features
 - 5 Luau chow
 - 6 Hemming in
 - 7 Type in anew
 - 8 See 95-Down
 - 9 Better's note
 - 10 Series-ending abbr.
 - 11 Succeeds
 - 12 Spin around
 - 13 — Barbera
 - 14 "The Middle" network
 - 15 Poked fun at
 - 16 Register
 - 17 Indiana county whose name is a red color
 - 18 Afore
 - 19 Gun, in slang
 - 24 Parts of hammers
 - 29 — good clip
 - 32 Ice-T's style
 - 33 Hack
 - 34 — roll (lucky)
 - 35 Deriding look
 - 36 — Nevada
 - 37 Partner of a morose
 - 38 Hearing airer
 - 39 Share a view
 - 40 Artery
 - 41 Minneapolis-to-Dallas dir.
 - 44 Hit with a zapping gun
 - 45 The Beatles' "Let —"
 - 46 Collision
 - 50 Register for
 - 51 Hoops cable channel
 - 53 Pole carving
 - 54 Advice giver
 - 55 Yankee Yogi
 - 56 Bob — restaurants
 - 57 Per-unit costs
 - 58 "Bye Bye Bye" boy band
 - 60 Rumba's kin
 - 62 Garden soils
 - 65 Johnny who cried "Come on down!"
 - 68 OPEC fuel
 - 69 Idolize
 - 70 Keystroke or mouse click
 - 72 Canadian gas brand
 - 73 Detached, in mus.
 - 75 Old game console
 - 76 Lanai and Skye, say
 - 77 Product label wds.
 - 78 Ruminated
 - 79 County in New Mexico
 - 81 Tree once associated with bow wielders
 - 85 Pained cries
 - 86 "Dirty Sexy Money" actress Zoe
 - 88 Symbol atop the Kremlin
 - 89 Pair of poetic lines
 - 90 Mythical bird
 - 91 Mork's planet
 - 92 Pitching whiz
 - 93 Sausage, in Stuttgart
 - 95 With 8-Down, swims without a suit
 - 96 They made LPs passé
 - 99 Kid
 - 100 West with 21 Grammys
 - 101 — lie (fibbed)
 - 104 Funny Laurel
 - 106 Gossamer
 - 107 Degr. for playwrights
 - 108 Eye melody
 - 109 GPS drawing
 - 110 From — B
 - 111 Ring legend
 - 113 Prefix with law or tourist
 - 114 Cat coat
 - 115 Swing to and —



Kids' Maze

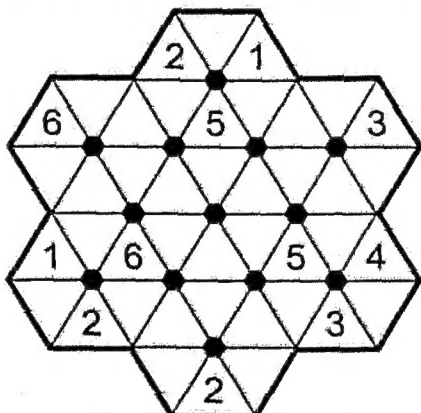


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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦
♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦♦ Difficult

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

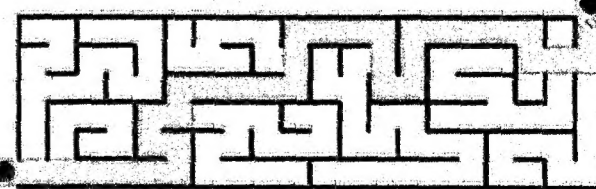
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

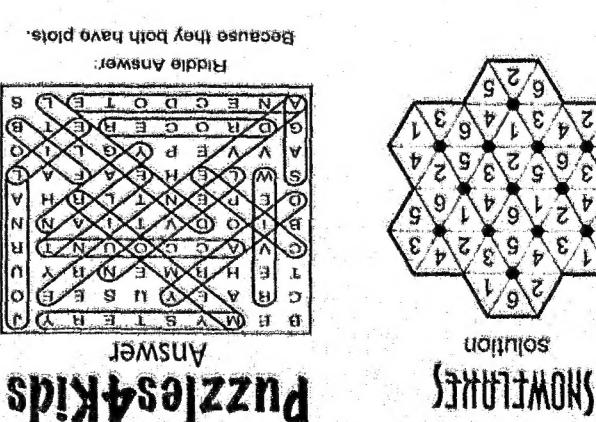
★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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Kids' Maze Solution

HERNIA
Today's Word
3. Regard; 4. Random
1. Admire; 2. Method; 3. Random
When a leash is on a certain dog breed, I suppose it could well be a ring around the collar.



Answer



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News from the Bethel Historical Society

Summer events donors

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Macgregor, Peggy Paine, Monson, MA (in memory of Dick Valentine), and Charles and Frances Richmond.

Thanks to these generous donors, the annual 4th of July Concert by the Portland Brass Quintet and other summer events can take place.

Additional donations in any amount are always welcome and may be dropped off during regular hours (10 to 4, Tuesday through Friday) at the Robinson House or mailed to the Society at PO Box 12, Bethel 04217.

Exhibit opening rescheduled

In light of the upcoming launch on July 2 of the Society's big summer exhibit, "Secluded Glens & Noble Landscapes: Traditional White Mountain Art Recaptured," the opening of an expanded display about the town of Bethel has been moved to Thursday, Aug. 20, to coincide with a "Business After Hours" event for

Chamber of Commerce members and BHS Business Partners.

Occupying two galleries on the second floor of the Robinson House, the exhibit will feature a number of rare artifacts, historic images and scale models from the Society's permanent collection.

Mason House tours to feature Yankee ingenuity theme

From July 2 to Aug. 29, visitors to the Museums of the Bethel Historical Society will explore the theme of "Yankee Ingenuity" as they tour the 1813 Dr. Moses Mason House. Throughout the building's nine period rooms, special signs will direct attention to notable objects and architectural features (including furnishings designed and built by the Doctor himself) that reflect the resourcefulness, inventiveness and creativity of Maine's nineteenth century inhabitants.

For more information about this state-wide project, visit www.yankeeingenuitymuseumtrail.org.

Births

CROCKETT

Ray and Erin Crockett of Hanover are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Chase Clayton Crockett, born on June 11, 2015 at 2:23 p.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds 6 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Mary and Dan Stearns of Rumford Point.

Paternal grandparents are JoAnn and David Crockett of Bethel.

YATES

Ashley and Zachary Yates of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Piper May Yates, born on June 7, 2015 at 5:47 p.m. at Rumford Hospital, weighing 8 pounds and measuring 20 inches.

Grandparents are Carolyn and Brad Gaudreau of Bethel, Rebecca Yates of Mechanic Falls, Pete Du-mond of Mechanic Falls and Bruce Brown of Bethel

Great-grandparents are Kathy Pond of Oxford, Robert Clark of Auburn and Joyce and Donald Bennett of West Bethel.

Great-great grandparent is Minnie Pond of Auburn. Piper joins two siblings, Paige and Paisley Yates.

KIMBALL

Shane and Alison Kimball of West Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Jayden Kimball, born on June 9, 2015 at 6:52 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds 6 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Sue Martin of Norway and Thomas Hutchison of South Paris.

Paternal grandparents are Judith and Lewis Herrick of West Paris and William Oullette of Andover.

Jayden joins a sister, Ashley Kimball 20, and four brothers, Troy Kimball 21, Trenton Kimball 14, Trae Kimball 14 and Jackson Chase 6.

LETOURNEAU

Marty Letourneau of Greenwood is pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Blake Paul Dana Letourneau, born on June 8, 2015 at 5:32 p.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds 6 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Shannon and Brian Letourneau of Greenwood.

BEAN

Kevin and Ruby Bean of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Moseley Mac Bean, born on June 7, 2015 at 3:14 p.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 9.38 pounds.

Maternal grandmother is Susan Archer of Ellsworth.

Paternal grandparents are Michael and Heidi Bean of Milton.

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THANK YOU

I would like to thank all my family and friends for my 75th birthday party. It was a big surprise! Carri McPherson made the beautiful cake, and people attended from New Hampshire, Greenwood, Mason Twp., Hanover, Rumford, Newry, Watford, and Bethel.

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